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PREFACE

The Inventory of Federal Archives in the States is one of the products of the work of the Survey of Federal Archives, which was operated as a nation-wide project of the Works Progress Administration from January 1, 1936, to June 30, 1937, and which has been continued in Virginia since that date as a state project of that Administration and of the Work Projects Administration of the Federal Works Agency.

The plan for the organization of the Inventory is as follows: Series I consists of reports on the administration of the Survey, acknowledgments, and general discussions of the location, condition, and content of federal archives in the states. Succeeding series contain the detailed information secured by workers of the Survey, in inventory form, a separate series number being assigned to each of the executive departments (except the Department of State) and other major units of the Federal Government. Within each series No. 1 is a general introduction to the field organization and records of the governmental agency concerned; the succeeding numbers contain the inventory proper, separate numbers being assigned to each state in alphabetical order. Thus, in each series, the inventory for Alabama is No. 2, that for Arizona No. 3, that for Arkansas No. 4, etc.

For each local office information regarding each series, or unit of related records, is presented in the following order: title, inclusive dates ("to date" indicating an open file at the time the information was secured), general description of informational content, description of the system of filing or indexing (if any), a statement of frequency and purpose of use, form of the record itself (bound volume, sheets in folders, etc.), linear footage, description of the containers, physical condition of the records (not stated if satisfactory), location by room number or other identifying information, and finally the number of the Form 58SA on which this information was originally recorded by a Survey worker and from which it was abstracted for the Inventory. This form is on file in the National Archives.

In Virginia the work of the project was under the supervision of Mr. Terry C. Durham from its inception until September 1936. He was then succeeded by Dr. Kathleen Bruce under whose direction the project was reorganized and a new survey begun. Dr. Bruce has continued in charge of Federal Archives work, although in January 1940 the Survey of Federal Archives was consolidated with the Historical Records Survey with Dr. Bruce as state supervisor of the combined project. This inventory of the records of the Federal courts in Virginia was prepared in the Richmond office of the Survey and with the exception of the Introduction and the brief history of each local agency was edited, before it was finally typed, by Dr. Richard Stenberg of the Washington office. The entries were arranged by Dr. Stenberg. Dr. Bruce wrote the Introduction. The research in the United States statutes was made by Miss Eleanor Belt under the immediate direction of Dr. Bruce.

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## INTRODUCTION

The constitution provides for only one court, the Supreme Court. It was left to the Congress to create inferior courts and to determine their jurisdiction. By the Judiciary Act of 1789, Congress created the district courts and a series of circuit courts between the district courts and the Supreme Court; divided the country into thirteen districts, in each of which there should be a district court presided over by a district judge; and organized the districts, except the districts of Maine and Kentucky, into three circuits in each of which two justices of the Supreme Court should ride the circuit and hold a circuit court in each district, twice yearly, sitting with the district judge. The Judiciary Act of 1789, one of the most remarkable acts in the history of the United States, is the basis of our present organization of the Federal courts.

Virginia, the largest state in the Union, was allotted two of the thirteen districts. One of these was "to consist of the state of Virginia, except that part called the district of Kentucky, and to be called Virginia district"; the other - to consist of the remaining part of Virginia - was "to be called, Kentucky district." Under an act passed by the General Assembly of Virginia in May 1782, the Virginia counties south of the Ohio River and west of the Big Sandy River and the Cumberland Mountains had been organized for state purposes as the district of Kentucky. The Federal judicial district of Virginia consisted not only of the present state of Virginia. In it was also the present state of West Virginia, which is composed of a trans-Allegheny section extending to the Ohio River, and a Valley section east of the Allegheny Mountains and south of the Potomac. Those sections remained a part of Virginia until secession split the commonwealth and brought about their acceptance by the United States in 1863 as the state of West Virginia. The history of the Federal courts held within the limits of the West Virginia sections prior to 1863 is a part of the history of the Federal courts of Virginia. The records, however, were assigned to remain in West Virginia by an act approved June 11, 1864, which redistricted the two states after the dismemberment of Virginia.

The records and history of the district court of Kentucky district cannot be considered a part of the records and the history of the Federal courts in Virginia. The settlers in the counties south of the Ohio had petitioned for statehood before the Federal Government was organized under the constitution. Congress by the Judiciary Act of 1789 not only made the district of Kentucky a separate judicial district with a district court of its own but empowered the court to act as a circuit court, and in 1792 with the consent of the General Assembly admitted the district of Kentucky to the Union as the state of Kentucky. Virginia although allotted two judicial districts in 1789, for practical purposes had only one.

The district judge for Virginia district was ordered to hold annually four "sessions" of a district court, alternately in Richmond and Williamsburg, and to begin the first session at Richmond on the third



Tuesday in December 1789. It was left to the district judge to determine in which of these cities the records should be kept. In addition, he was given the power to appoint a clerk for the district court who should be clerk also of the circuit court in that district. The district court which he held had no appellate power and has none today. There is no authority for the opinion held by many persons that cases may be appealed from the highest state courts to the Federal district court. There is, however, statutory provision for removing from a state court an action which might have been brought in a district court. The Hon. Evan A. Evans, senior judge of the United States circuit court of appeals for the seventh circuit, briefly digests the powers vested in the district court by the Judiciary Act of 1789 (Federal Digest, 1940, Vol. 2, p. 12). The court had "exclusive jurisdiction over minor crimes cognizable under the laws of the United States (the Federal courts having no common law jurisdiction over crime), also of admiralty and maritime cases. Concurrently with state and circuit courts, the district court also had jurisdiction over common law suits where the United States or its officers were plaintiffs and the matter involved exceeded \$100. It also had exclusive jurisdiction of suits against consuls and vice-consuls." Its jurisdiction, Judge Evans continues, was extended in 1845 (5 Stat. 739) to include causes of action arising under the postal laws of the United States; enlarged in 1864 (13 Stat. 116, amended in 1911, 36 Stat. 1092) to include suits brought under certain of the National Bank Laws; and expanded in 1868 (15 Stat. 167) to enforce the Internal Revenue Laws. In addition, it was given jurisdiction over proceedings in bankruptcy in 1867 (14 Stat. 517, amended in 1898, 30 Stat. 545), and in 1911 (36 Stat. 1093).<sup>\*</sup> But the district courts originally had no jurisdiction over suits of a civil nature, either at common law or in equity, and did not "assume the major importance which they have since occupied" until the circuit courts were abolished in 1911, and the jurisdiction of matters within the cognizance of the circuit courts conferred on the district courts (36 Stat. 1092). Judge Evans calls attention to the district courts having acted to a certain extent, prior to 1911, as a circuit court "either with a circuit judge or, under certain conditions, in his absence, so that it has been difficult to distinguish between the action of a district court as such and the action of the district judge acting as a circuit judge." As will be seen, the district courts for the western district of Virginia also acted within their own district, "in the absence of a circuit judge," as a circuit court, from their establishment under an act of February 4, 1919, to the establishment of a circuit court at Lewisburg in the western district, authorized by an act of March 3, 1837.

The three circuits in which Congress united the thirteen districts, exclusive of Maine and Kentucky districts, were called eastern, middle, and southern circuits. Virginia with Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey composed the middle circuit. Two sessions of a circuit court were ordered to be held annually within each district. A circuit court within a district was to be held by any pair of justices of the Supreme Court and the district judge. The sessions of the circuit court for Virginia district were ordered to be held on the twenty-second day of the month every sixth calendar month, alternately at

\* Bankruptcy acts of 1800 and 1841 gave district courts jurisdiction over bankruptcy proceedings but were soon repealed.



Charlottesville and Williamsburg. The first session was ordered to begin at Charlottesville on May 22, 1790. Barring an interval, July 1, 1801 - June 30, 1802, it had no separate clerk of its own up to 1839. The clerk of the district court was also clerk of the circuit court. The circuit court was given both original and appellate jurisdiction. Under the original jurisdiction, it had cognizance concurrent with the state courts of all suits of a civil nature both at common law and in equity where the amount in controversy exceeded \$500, and where the United States was plaintiff, or where an alien was a party to the suit, or where the suit was between a citizen of the state where the suit was brought and a citizen of another state. It had original jurisdiction also over all criminal offenses cognizable under the laws of the United States. Under the appellate jurisdiction, the court could review decrees of the district courts in civil actions where the amount in dispute was more than \$50. Appeals to the Supreme Court were allowed in ordinary cases only where the amount in dispute was over \$2000. This was raised to \$5000 in 1875 (18 Stat. 316).

Apparently there was not enough business in Virginia to occupy two Federal circuit courts. At any rate after the two courts had been in existence a little more than a year, Congress determined to abolish one of them. A location for a single circuit court had to be selected. Richmond was not only the capitol of the state; it was also rapidly becoming a mill town and the chief commercial center because of its strategic location at the falls of James River, the great commercial river highway of Virginia. It was also nearer Washington than was Williamsburg. Thus an act approved March 3, 1791, put an end to the semiannual sessions of the circuit court at Charlottesville and Williamsburg and ordered the circuit court for the district of Virginia "to be holden at the city of Richmond only." Here the circuit court sat uninterruptedly, except during the years 1861 - 66, from 1791 until Congress abolished it.\*

No other significant changes were made in the Federal courts in Virginia until near the end of President John Adams' administration in 1801. By 1801 two powerful political parties had developed in the United States, the Federalist and Republican. The Federalist party was the party of capitalistic interests. The Federalists now maintained that an enlargement of the Federal judiciary would increase Federal business. Through acts of February 13 and 27 and March 3, 1801, they stole the thunder of the incoming Republicans. By those acts, they reorganized the judiciary, created a judicial system for the District of Columbia, and appointed a large number of new judges from their own party. The act approved on February 13 increased the number of districts from thirteen to twenty-two, the number of circuits from three to six, and provided for a separate set of judges for five of the six circuits. These judges, three to a circuit, one of whom was to be commissioned chief judge, had no other duties to perform than to hold court in the different parts of their circuit. Virginia was directly affected, both as to her circuit and her district court.

For the first time the state was divided into eastern and western districts for the holding of circuit court. The territorial boundary

\* An act of March 2, 1793, ordered that the attendance of only one of the justices of the Supreme Court at the circuit courts should be sufficient.



line between the two districts followed the county border lines, within Virginia, that separated the counties on the east side of the Blue Ridge Mountains from those on the west side, and ran from Harper's Ferry on the Potomac to the northern boundary of North Carolina. The eastern and western districts of Virginia were classed with the district of Maryland as the fourth circuit. As long as the act remained law, the august justices of the Supreme Court were no longer compelled as heretofore to travel the rough red roads of Virginia to hold circuit courts. The three special circuit judges made the round by stage coach or in their own gigs, or on horseback. They were ordered to hold a circuit court in the little mountain town of Lexington in Rockbridge County on April 5 and November 20, in and for the western district of Virginia; in Richmond at the falls on April 25 and December 5, in and for the eastern district of Virginia; and in Baltimore on Chesapeake Bay on March 20 and November 5, in and for the district of Maryland.

For the better dispatch of the business of district courts, the maritime and Tidewater riparian counties were severed from the district of Virginia that they might be placed in two additional districts to be called the district of Potomac and the district of Norfolk. The district of Potomac was to consist of all that part of the district of Virginia north of the Rappahannock River and east of the line which divided the counties of Fauquier and Loudoun from the counties of Fairfax, Prince William, and Stafford; certain counties of Maryland; and the District of Columbia, which itself consisted of territory on both sides of the Potomac to be organized by this same Congress on February 27, 1801, as Washington and Alexandria counties (see p. 32). The district judge of the district of Maryland was ordered to hold a district court in the city of Alexandria, D. C., but the Federalists later countermanded this order by their "midnight" act approved March 3, 1801, which arranged for the chief judge of the District of Columbia to hold the district courts in and for the district of Potomac. The district of Norfolk was to consist of the counties of Isle of Wight, Nansemond, Norfolk, Princess Anne, James City, New Kent, Warwick, York, Elizabeth City, Gloucester, Mathews, Middlesex, Accomac, and Northampton. The district judge of the district of Virginia was ordered to hold a court at Norfolk for the district of Norfolk on the first Tuesdays in February, May, August, and November, "in each and every year." This same district judge annually held four sessions in and for the district of Virginia, alternately at Richmond and Williamsburg.

In less than a month after the passage of the act of February 13, President Adams went out of office and Thomas Jefferson entered the White House. On the desk of the Secretary of State lay the commissions of 42 justices of the peace for Alexandria and Washington counties (see p. 32), one of them, the commission of one William Marbury, later to become famous because he tried to get his commission and failed. Jefferson withheld the commissions, since the appointments had only been confirmed on March 3. But Jefferson's party, the party of agrarian interests, which had swept the polls in the elections for Congress in "the revolution of 1800," had no chance to repeal Federalist legislation until the new Congress assembled in December 1801. Therefore



they could only look on while the drastic reorganization of the Federal judiciary went into effect on and after July 1, 1801, and the new judges prepared to assume office. On March 8, 1802, when the reorganized judiciary had had eight months in which to prove its worth, President Jefferson approved an act to repeal the judiciary acts of February 13 and March 3, 1801, and to revive "all the acts and parts of acts which were in force before the passage of the aforesaid two acts," to be "in as full and complete force and operation as if the said two acts had never been made." The repeal and the revival were to become effective on July 1, 1802.

But the repeal act, as it was called, never became fully effective. On April 29, 1802, the President signed a bill which provided for the same number of districts and circuits then in operation under the Federalist act. In view of this endorsement of Federalist expansion, one is disposed to conclude that so sweeping a repeal must have been to some extent at least for propaganda purposes. The new bill made changes in boundaries of circuits and in the disposition of districts. The single district to which Virginia was again reduced for both circuit and district court purposes was united with the district of North Carolina to compose the fifth circuit. The circuit court was ordered to sit only at Richmond and annually to hold two sessions. The permanent circuit judges were not restored. The justices of the Supreme Court were again doomed to ride the circuit, for the purpose of holding court with the district judge within the district, and it was ordered that the chief justice should ride the Virginia - North Carolina Circuit.

Towards the end of John Adams' administration the chief justiceship had fallen vacant. When John Jay refused it, Adams, for good or for evil, "saved the future for Federalism" by making John Marshall Chief Justice. Although Marshall was Secretary of State, Congress confirmed his appointment not quite six weeks before Jefferson became President. The Federalist administration therefore was passing out, but Federalist principles were to be entrenched in the opinions of the "judicial statesman" whom Adams had appointed. The Chief Justice who was to deliver the opinions of the circuit court at Richmond was John Marshall, the cousin and bitter political enemy of Jefferson. On his long solitary rides through the forests and fields of Virginia and North Carolina, Marshall had plenty of time to think out the principles which he made the law of the land. "Indeed", writes Judge Evans (Federal Digest, 1940, vol. 2, p. 8), "it is asserted that some of the justices wrote their best opinions while sitting as circuit judges. Many important cases reached the circuit court and went no further. One was the trial of Aaron Burr in May 1807. This case was heard by a circuit court composed of Chief Justice Marshall and District Judge Cyrus Griffin, at Richmond, Virginia."

A distinguished historian has remarked that the Republicans "certainly had a good deal in their favor, when they declared that there was no reason for establishing two district courts in Virginia instead of one, when that one had so little business that in 1800, after sitting ten days, it had actually decided on several [cases] returnable at the ensuing term" (Edward Channing, History of the United States,



IV, 277). In fairness to the Federalists, it should be noted, however, that the jurisdiction of the district court was limited, that the Judiciary Act of 1789 did give it exclusive jurisdiction over admiralty and maritime cases, and that it stood to reason that Federal business would be facilitated if the maritime counties could have access to a district court nearer to them than Williamsburg or Richmond. Obviously that was their reason for creating the district of Norfolk and for assigning the counties on the Eastern Shore, in the Northern Neck, and along the upper Potomac, to the district of Potomac.

It must have put a feather in the cap of the Federalists when the Republicans after repealing the act of February 13, 1801, and reviving all the old acts and parts of acts annulled by that act, ordered "that the slated session of the district court directed to be holden in the city of Williamsburg shall be holden in the town of Norfolk from and after the first day of July next." Thus, in spite of having abolished both the district of Potomac and the district of Norfolk, the Republicans paid tribute to the constructive imagination of the Federalists who were the first to recognize that a district court was needed in Virginia's ocean port.

Prior to 1801 there was only a single clerk for the Federal courts in Virginia. The Federalists by their act of February 13, 1801, provided for four clerks. They retained the clerk previously authorized for the district and circuit courts of Virginia district, but relieved him of his circuit court duties and provided a separate clerk for each of the two circuit courts which they ordered to be established, one in the eastern the other in the western district. They also provided for a separate clerk for the district court to be held in the additional district of Norfolk.

Contrary to opinion, the Republicans continued in part this expansion in Federal court clerks, in Virginia. They did not give the circuit court a separate clerk, but they authorized the district judge to appoint a clerk who should "reside" in Norfolk, keep the records of the court of Norfolk, and perform the same duties, and receive the same fees and emoluments established by law for clerks of the district courts. This provision was made in the act (April 29, 1802) which ordered the removal to Norfolk of the district court hitherto held at Williamsburg.

Historians have made much of the "attack" by Jefferson and his party on the Federal judiciary. The Republicans are said to have been suspicious of Federal courts as promoting centralization of government for the benefit of minority capitalistic groups, and to have wanted to abolish inferior courts, leaving only the Supreme Court and the state courts. It is probable that the Republicans feared the interpretation the Federalist judges and John Marshall in particular would give the constitution more than they feared the Federal courts. They abolished the provision for special circuit judges obviously to eliminate Adams' appointees. In Virginia although they abolished also one of the two circuit courts for which the Federalists had provided, in abolishing it they had the precedent of an act passed in Washington's first administration (March 3, 1791) which had eliminated one of the two circuit courts created by the Judiciary Act of 1789. Certainly by



following Federalist precedent and establishing a district court at Norfolk with a clerk of its own, the Republicans made the Federal judiciary stronger in Virginia than it had ever been prior to the Federalist reorganization. These facts and the retention of twenty-two districts and six circuits seem to show that the "attack" was not on the courts but on the judges and primarily on John Marshall. Thus, after eliminating the fifteen circuit judges, the Republicans revived the process of impeachment "as an inquest of office," and proceeded to impeach certain indiscreet Federalist judges in order to gain a precedent for impeaching the Chief Justice. Only through impeachment could they have hoped to turn the Chief Justice out of office. Their aim was not to abolish the inferior Federal courts but to place in the stronghold which John Marshall occupied a jurist who would interpret the constitution for the benefit of the agrarian masses led by themselves. It will be remembered that John Marshall was not only Chief Justice but also judge of the circuit court at Richmond.

When the House of Representatives prepared articles of impeachment for the impeachment of an associate justice of the Supreme Court, even Marshall was upset. His perturbation shows in a letter written at the time to his brother James. In it he "broached the remarkable suggestion that the modern doctrine of impeachment should yield to an appellate jurisdiction in the legislature" (E. S. Corwin, "John Marshall," Dictionary of American Biography). On the failure of the Senate to convict Justice Chase, Marshall recovered his equilibrium; and when the former Vice-President of the United States, Aaron Burr, was brought before his court at Richmond for trial for treason in levying war against the United States, the Chief Justice by his definition of treason as an "overt act" made it impossible to convict Burr. The prosecutors also had to drop the charge of misdemeanor which Jefferson had hoped to press in order to find grounds for an impeachment of Marshall. Unfortunately after Burr's arrest the President had publicly expressed his belief in Burr's guilt (Dumas Malone, "Thomas Jefferson", Dictionary of American Biography). Marshall triumphed, but his decision delivered as circuit judge at Richmond was recognized as political, and it is the opinion of at least one authority on the constitution that "the whole common-law view of treason as a conspiracy, a view which the Constitution was undoubtedly intended to embody and which Marshall himself had accepted in the Bollman Case (4 Cranch, 75), was junked, with the 'monstrous' result - as Wirt [a Richmond lawyer who appeared in the prosecution of the case] rightly urged - that it becomes impossible to convict the procurer of a treason who is canny enough to leave to his dupes the rest of the business - the 'overt acts'" (E. S. Corwin, "John Marshall", Dictionary of American Biography). The papers in the case of Aaron Burr are filed with the district court records at Richmond (entry 371).

Marshall presided for more than thirty-four years over the Supreme Court. It has been estimated that, apart from opinion writing, his judicial business at Richmond and Raleigh could hardly have occupied him more than three months in the year. He lived in Richmond, which was an island of Federalism in a sea of Republicanism.



For seventeen years after the Republicans amended the judiciary, no change was made in the number of Federal courts and clerks allotted to Virginia, or in the location of the courts. But economic and social changes which occurred in the interval, particularly after 1807, were to create a need for more Federal courts in the state, and to cause another Republican Congress to establish the court over the mountains. In order to understand why the expansion occurred in 1819, it is necessary to review briefly some of the trends in Virginia between 1802 and 1819.

During the years of "peaceable coercion" and the war of 1812, which acted as a high protective tariff in the United States, infant industries sprang up in the Valley of Virginia and in the trans-Allegheny counties. Even before the war ended a fresh wave of settlers began to roll in. Six counties were organized in trans-Allegheny between 1808 and 1819. After the war the demand for internal improvements to link sections for economic interchange became urgent, and in 1816 under pressure from both eastern and western counties, the General Assembly created the Board of Public Works.

An even more immediate economic need of the western sections was for credit and banking facilities. To meet it, "wildcat" banks had sprung up in the wake of the young industries. But the Valley and trans-Allegheny wanted sound chartered banks. Again pressure on the legislature brought to the attention of its more alert members the "wide and prosperous banking field of the Valley and the trans-Allegheny counties, then covered by the various independent banks." The payment of bonuses by incorporated banks would provide additional income for internal improvements (George D. Starnes, Sixty Years of Branch Banking in Virginia, 1931, p. 59). On February 24, 1816, the General Assembly passed an act which declared illegal all unchartered banks in the state, and under further pressure from the western sections chartered in 1817 the first banks to be established across the Blue Ridge. In due course, these two state banks opened their doors, the Northwestern Bank of Virginia at Wheeling, and the Bank of the Valley of Virginia at Winchester. Like the two state banks in eastern Virginia, the Bank of Virginia (1804) and the Farmers' Bank (1812), they were organized to include the most notable feature of the successful banks of Scotland, a wide extension of branch banking. Thus as "mother banks", they were soon extending their activity through branch banks established in various counties of the Valley and the trans-Allegheny.

By 1820 all the Valley counties, except Pocahontas County in the present state of West Virginia, had been organized. In the decade just past, their population had grown eleven and three-quarters per cent. Across the Alleghenies, the population had increased twenty-seven and one-half per cent (Proceedings and Debates of the Virginia State Convention of 1829-30, 1830, p. 280), and was living in sixteen counties. The area comprised in these two sections measured 38,896 square miles (*ibid.*, p. 281). The sections were separated from the Piedmont by a wall of mountains. Roads also were often deep in mud and eroded with gullies. Because of the increase in population, and in the complexity of human relations particularly in financial matters, the urgent need for having a Federal court nearer than Richmond could



not be ignored. By an act of February 4, 1819, Congress divided Virginia for the first time for district court purposes, and created a western district of Virginia.

The watershed was established as the line of demarcation. "All that part of the state as is situate west of the summit of the mountains which separate the waters emptying into the Chesapeake Bay and Roanoke River from the waters which fall into the Ohio River shall be one judicial district, and there shall be a district court therein to consist of one judge who shall reside in the district and annually hold six sessions." The act also decreed that a clerk should be appointed for the district court in the western district.

For the convenience of the judge and all other interested persons, the location of the court followed well known routes of travel. A spring and an autumn session were ordered to be held in each of two towns which had been established in the eighteenth century in the limits of the present state of West Virginia. These were Lewisburg (1782), in Greenbrier County, and Clarksburg (1785), towards the north, in Harrison County (Hening's Statutes, XI, 139; XII, 208). A famous road, with connections from different points in the Valley, ran past the White Sulphur Springs, frequented by invalids, to Lewisburg, and on to Charleston on the Kanawha. Clarksburg had been a junction of roads from Winchester and other points, almost from its incorporation. The charter of the Northwestern Bank of Virginia had provided for a branch bank at Clarksburg. The third location for a spring and an autumn session was designated as Wythe County Courthouse. Although this town was in the present limits of Virginia, it was in the southern section of the district and in the drainage basin of the Ohio River. Its real name was Evansham. As such, it had been established in Wythe County in 1792. In 1839 an act of the General Assembly would incorporate the town and change the name "Evansham" to "Wytheville", but a United States statute would continue to refer to it as "Wythe Courthouse" as late as 1856 (Act of June 26, 1856). Thousands on horseback or on foot, in wagons, or later in creaking family coaches coming down the Valley, crossed the New River whose waters empty ultimately into the Ohio and the Mississippi, and ascending and descending the high mountains in the present Pulaski County, passed through Evansham on their way to Tennessee and the cotton states, or to Cumberland Gap and Kentucky. Since Evansham by the highway was not more than 68 miles from the state line bordering three states, it offered a strategic location for a district court which could act as a circuit court.

The act of February 4, 1819, made a special grant to the district court of the western district of "jurisdiction of all causes, except of appeals and writs of error, cognizable by law in a circuit court"; and the right to "proceed therein in the same manner as a circuit court." Thus all cases of a civil nature, both at common law and in equity, between a citizen of Virginia and citizens of other states could be tried at Evansham, Lewisburg, and Clarksburg, provided the matter in controversy exceeded \$500. Writs of error might issue from decisions in the district court acting as a circuit court "in the same manner as from circuit courts." And so there was direct appeal to the Supreme Court. Old records throwing a wealth of light on Virginia in the first



half of the nineteenth century are in the custody of the district court at Abingdon. Some of the case papers throw light also on the commercial development of states both around Virginia and beyond the Ohio River (entries 571, 583, 586, 594, 595, 597, 602, 603, 632, 655).

The boundaries of the western district of Virginia as defined in the act of February 4, 1819, did not include the Valley counties in the drainage basins of the rivers flowing to the Atlantic, but it would not be long before Congress would enlarge those boundaries.

The year in which the court was first established over the Virginia mountains was the year in which the United States experienced the first general financial crisis in its history. The crisis caused great distress in Virginia. Beyond the Blue Ridge and the Alleghenies "good slaves sold for \$100, and good horses for \$500, and the sheriff was generally the purchaser . . . in fact general conditions were so bad that Jefferson said, 'I fear local insurrections against these horrible sacrifices of property'". But while "other states suffered great losses of banking capital during the period of depression, Virginia did not lose a dollar, and her banks continued to pay dividends", although the dividends were small when compared with those of former years (Starnes, Sixty Years of Branch Banking in Virginia, pp. 66-69).

It is possible that the havoc wrought by the panic compelled Congress to establish a Federal court in the Valley counties, north of the drainage basin of the Ohio River. At any rate, an act approved May 26, 1824, extended the boundaries of the western district to include Botetourt, Rockbridge, Augusta, Rockingham, Shenandoah, Frederick, and also Alleghany and Bath counties in the present state of Virginia, and the Valley counties of Jefferson, Berkeley, Morgan, Hampshire, and Hardy in the present West Virginia. Again a town which was a junction of roads was chosen as the location of the court. The district judge for the western district of Virginia was ordered to hold a spring and an autumn session at Staunton which (incorporated in 1801) lay at a central point in the Valley on the great north and south highway. In this same year (1824), the General Assembly authorized the building of the Staunton and Parkersburg Turnpike which was to link Staunton with the Ohio River by 1847 (Charles Henry Ambler, A History of West Virginia, 1933, p. 244). The district court at Staunton was also given the power to act as a circuit court.

Hereafter a district court would be held at four towns in the western district. Thus when the district judge set out on his rounds twice a year, he would keep as close to the invisible line of a triangle as the roads permitted. Clarksburg was at the northern point of the triangle, Staunton at the eastern, and Evansham at the southern, and just inside, more than halfway down the invisible line between Clarksburg and Evansham, was Lewisburg, the fourth town. The western district was now bisected by the Allegheny Mountains. Measured on a modern road map, Evansham and Staunton were 166 miles apart, and the distance between Evansham and Clarksburg was a good deal longer. If the physical labor of covering this territory twice yearly was taxing, the district judge, as he moved in and out among the lofty mountains, saw some of the loveliest scenery in America.

The brevity of the sessions, and the surprisingly short time allowed



for the trip around the three sides of the triangle, is revealed in the acts which established the months, and days, in which court was to be held in each town. Thus by an act of May 26, 1824, the sessions were ordered to start at Staunton on the second Mondays in April and September. A week from the day on which the district judge opened court at Staunton, he had to be at Wythe Courthouse, and one week later at Lewisburg. He was allowed a month from the day he opened court in Lewisburg before he was required to hold court in Clarksburg. It is probable that in 1826 the district judge had moved his residence from Staunton, or would do so, for under an act of May 20, 1826, the sequence of the courts was reversed. The sessions now started at Clarksburg. Perhaps new roads had been built, for instead of a month, ten days were provided for the court at Clarksburg and the journey to Lewisburg. The time allowed for the sessions at Lewisburg and Wythe Courthouse, and for the journey between those points and between Wythe Courthouse and Staunton, was the same as that allowed in 1824. Evidently Federal court business had increased by 1856, for an act of June 26, 1856, ordered that the sessions of the district court be held at Staunton on the first days of May and October, and that the next sessions be held at Wythe Courthouse on the fourth Mondays in May and October. In spite of the comparative brevity of the sessions of the early courts for the western district, there is a mass of records of the Staunton court in the custody of the court at Harrisonburg (see especially case papers, entries 509, 494, 451, 487, 448, 526).

Evidence of the economic activity in Virginia in the busy speculative years immediately prior to 1837 appears in the decision of the General Assembly of 1836-37 that a more progressive banking policy was necessary, and in its passage of an act in March 1837, increasing the capitalization of the state banks, and providing for additional branches. Among those to be established were a branch of the Bank of the Valley, at Staunton, and an office of discount and deposit of the Farmers' Bank, at either Abingdon or Evansham (Starnes, Sixty Years of Branch Banking in Virginia, pp. 81, 85). As usual in those early days, almost simultaneously with financial expansion came an expansion of the court. By an act approved March 3, 1837, Congress established a circuit court in and for the western district of Virginia. The court was to be held once a year at Lewisburg by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, or by one of the associate justices, sitting with the district judge of the western district. On the death of Chief Justice Marshall, Roger Brooke Taney of Maryland had succeeded him as Chief Justice, and as judge of the circuit court at Richmond, although he did not hold court in Richmond until May 1843 (Bernard C. Steiner, Life of Roger Brooke Taney, 1922, p. 263). Chief Justice Taney was to reverse some of the trends which his predecessor had made law. Congress now by the act of March 3, 1837, withdrew the power granted to the district court held at Wythe Courthouse, Lewisburg, Clarksburg, and Staunton to act as a circuit court. By an act approved March 28, 1838, Congress ordered that such causes as remained undetermined be removed from the circuit court at Lewisburg to the district courts from which the undetermined causes had been transferred under the authority of the act of March 3, 1837. He who studies the history of the Valley and South-



western Virginia, in the period 1837-1860 should not fail to seek the records of the circuit court which sat at Lewisburg during those years.

Since 1802 the district or districts of Virginia and North Carolina had constituted the fifth circuit. By an act approved August 16, 1842, it was ordered that the districts of Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia should compose the fourth circuit. The justices of the Supreme Court were still required to ride the circuit. Under the act of August 16 they, or a majority of them, were ordered to make among themselves a fresh allotment of the districts.

For nearly five years the United States had been experiencing a severe depression, as a result of an economic crash known as the panic of 1837. Virginia's economic foundations had been rocked along with those of the rest of the country. Although no Virginia bank failed, the district court at Richmond has twenty-five feet of bankruptcy case papers, September 9, 1842 - April 8, 1845 (entry 350). The cases resulted from the bankruptcy law of 1841, giving district courts jurisdiction over bankruptcy proceedings, to aid innocent debtors in a world crisis as well as creditors. The law, effective February 1, 1842, was repealed March 3, 1843. It may be of special significance that Congress chose the years 1842-43 in which to expand the Federal judiciary in Virginia by establishing a district court in an industrial city where no Federal court had hitherto been held, and to remove the district court from a rural town where sessions had been held by the district judge of the western district since 1819 to another industrial city where no Federal court had ever been established.

Thus an act approved August 26, 1842, ordered one term of the district court for the western district of Virginia "to be holden in the city of Wheeling", and an act approved three days later required that henceforth two terms "be holden at Charleston in the county of Kanawha, commencing on the Wednesdays after the second Mondays in April and September of each year", in lieu of the sessions which since 1819 had been held at Lewisburg. Although the district judge would hold no more district courts at Lewisburg, this mountain town remained until 1861 the seat of the circuit court for the present Southwest Virginia, and for all the Valley counties of the present state that were included in the western district, as well as for those sections which now constitute the state of West Virginia.

On January 20, 1843, an act was approved to increase the single annual term at Wheeling to two annual terms, and this was the final expansion made in the Federal courts in Virginia prior to the War for Southern Independence. There was also no contraction in the courts during those years.

The triangle outlined by the locations of the district courts now became approximately a quadrangle lying from northwest to southeast with a slanting side, as the side from southwest to southeast was only about two-thirds as long as the opposite side. Wheeling was at the northwest corner, Charleston at the southwest, Staunton at the northeast, and Wytheville at the southeast. Clarksburg, the fifth seat of the district court, lay about two-fifths along the invisible side line starting from Wheeling to Staunton, and was perhaps less than ten miles within the line. Lewisburg, where a Supreme Court justice sitting with the district judge held the circuit court once



a year for the western district, lay at the south center and well within the line.

Probably the more central location of Clarksburg in the northern part of the western district accounts for its having been made a seat of the district court in 1819, and not Charleston or Wheeling. Both Charleston and Wheeling had good road connections. But Wheeling on the National Road and the Ohio River was in the northern panhandle which is tucked in between Pennsylvania and Ohio, and Charleston was too far south and west. The Kanawha Valley above Charleston had been the location of a salt manufacturers' trust since 1818. The substitution of coal for wood in the furnaces had also stimulated the coal industry (Ambler, A History of West Virginia, p. 206). At Charleston was the Bank of Kanawha. Wheeling had received one of the mother banks in 1817 and a second mother bank, the Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank, in 1834. By 1829 the city had iron foundaries, woolen and cotton mills, and was a rival of Pittsburgh for the commerce of the upper Ohio (*ibid.*, pp. 208, 245).

When the country recovered from the depression, Virginia industry thrived in both eastern and western sections. In the eighteen fifties, the progressive attitudes of the manufacturers at Richmond and at Wheeling, and of the railroad builders like William Mahone, penetrated to agriculture. Again the economic activity in the state is evidenced by the need for more credit and banking facilities, which could not be had, however, without more banking capital. To increase banking capital, the General Assembly launched an experiment, but one which did not interfere with the charters of the six mother banks or with the Bank of Kanawha. By an act of 1851, the legislature "adopted a system of independent banking which provided for the emission of notes on the basis of public securities" (Starnes, Sixty Years of Branch Banking in Virginia, p. 104). By December 1, 1855, the old banks had created twenty-four new branch banks. In the same period thirteen independent banks had gone into operation. One of these banks was the Central Bank of Staunton (entries 495, 501, 502).

After presenting the facts on Virginia banking, Professor Starnes writes: "Therefore the conclusion is justifiable that the banking system of Virginia prior to 1860 compared favorably with that of any other state in the Union . . . we have been unable to discover that any incorporated bank ever failed, or that any man ever lost a dollar by a Virginia bank note until the banks were engulfed in the general ruin caused by the Civil War." He states that not one of the old banks attempted to reorganize after the war (Starnes, Sixty Years of Branch Banking in Virginia, pp. 116, 128-129).

Professor Starnes does not cite court papers among the sources of his enlightening study. Had he written his book twelve or thirteen years later, this inventory would have revealed to him thirteen feet of records of the Central Bank of Staunton. There are also a few records of the Bank of the Valley of Virginia in the custody of the district court at Richmond (entries 328, 329, 330) and Harrisonburg (entry 496); and a few of the Bank of Virginia (entry 399), the Farmers' Bank (entry 405), and the independent Bank of Philippi (entry 402), in the custody of the district court at Richmond.

When Virginia seceded in April 1861, the state was still divided



into two Federal judicial districts. Congress had made no alterations in the boundaries since it established the western district in 1819. For eighteen years the district courts in the western district also acted as circuit courts. In 1837 a circuit court was established for the western district. There had been no change in the number of locations of the courts in the eastern district since 1802, and none in the western district since 1843, although the dates of the sessions in both districts had frequently been altered, and Virginia had been grouped in 1842 with Delaware and Maryland, instead of with North Carolina, in the fourth circuit.

Secession brought less confusion to the Federal judicial system than might have been expected. The government of the Confederate States of America had been organized and a judiciary provided for in a provisional constitution on February 8, 1861, but Virginia had not seceded when Judge James D. Halyburton adjourned the United States district court for eastern Virginia at a special session at Richmond, March 8, 1861. This was the last United States court held in Richmond until July 19, 1865 (entries 307, 309).

The provisional constitution of the Confederate States provided for a judicial system under which each state should constitute a district, "until otherwise enacted by law" (Amendment to Art. III, Sec. 1, May 21, 1861), and each district have a district court. It did not provide for a circuit court, but vested in the district court in each state, as far as applicable and until the Congress should make some other provision, the combined jurisdiction which the United States district and circuit courts had exercised under the laws of the United States in the particular state. The power to appoint judges rested in the President by and with the consent of the Senate; and until the Congress arranged otherwise, the judge ("or judges", as amended on May 21, 1861) was to exercise the powers and authority which the judges of the district and circuit courts of the United States had exercised under the laws of the United States, in the particular state. It was left to the judge to appoint the times and places at which the court should be held (Art. III, Sec. 1).

When uniting the jurisdiction of the United States district and circuit courts in the district court, the men who drew up the constitution did not intend that the district court should act at one time as a district court, and at another time as a circuit court, like the United States district courts for the western district of Virginia under the acts of February 4, 1819, and May 26, 1824. On the contrary, they abolished the circuit courts and thus greatly simplified the administration of justice by the Federal judiciary. Through their understanding of governmental processes, they anticipated by half a century the act of the United States Congress of March 3, 1911, which abolished the circuit courts and transferred their jurisdiction to the district courts, except their appellate power which had been transferred to the Circuit Court of Appeals when it was created in 1891. The Confederates also departed from precedent set by the United States in regard to a Supreme Court. They provided for a Supreme Court to consist of all the district judges, who should sit at such times and places as the Congress should appoint. For various reasons the Supreme Court of the Confederacy never sat.



On March 16, 1861, eight days after Judge Halyburton adjourned the United States Court, the Provisional Congress passed an "Act to establish the Judicial Courts of the Confederate States of America." This act, which was in force immediately after its passage, repeated the provisions set forth in Article III of the provisional constitution, constituting each state a district and providing for a district court in each district. It also ordered that where a state was divided under the laws of the United States into two or more districts, the judge should annually hold not less than two terms of his court in each of those districts, as they existed on the first day of November 1860. By this act the Provisional Congress provided for the organization of the courts and the appointment of officers. It also defined the duties of the officers and the jurisdiction of the district courts and the Supreme Court. Article III, Section 1 of the permanent constitution of the Confederate States, which was adopted March 11, 1861, duplicates word for word Article III, Section 1 of the United States constitution. Thus the permanent constitution of the Confederate States provided merely for one court, the Supreme Court, and left it to Congress to create all inferior courts. The Provisional Congress accomplished this by the act of March 16, 1861, which is the judiciary act of the Confederate States comparable with the Judiciary Act of 1789 of the United States.

By an act of the Provisional Congress approved May 21, 1861, it was ordered that Virginia should constitute two judicial districts, that those districts should have the same territorial boundaries as when Virginia seceded, and that they should be "known and designated as the eastern and western judicial districts of the Confederate States of America, in Virginia." The passage of this act made possible the immediate reestablishment of Federal courts in Virginia. For several years the spring session of the district court held at Staunton had started each year on May 1 (act approved June 26, 1856). Judge John W. Brockenbrough had been the United States district judge for the western district. When Virginia seceded, he resigned his judgeship (entry 464). Later he took the oath of allegiance to the Confederate States of America and was appointed by President Davis to be judge of the Confederate States district court for the western district of Virginia. Judge Brockenbrough lost no time in acting to maintain the continuity of the Federal court. On May 23, 1861, just two days after the passage of the act which established the western district, he opened the court at Staunton, for business. It was necessary to have an official seal immediately. To meet the emergency he used the seal of the last district court of the United States for the western district of Virginia changing it only so far as to substitute the letter "C" for the letter "U" in the abbreviation "US" (ibid.)

Judge James D. Halyburton, who had served as United States judge of the district court for eastern Virginia since 1844 (entry 314, order book No. 14) also resigned when Virginia seceded, and was appointed by the Confederate President to be judge of the Confederate States District Court for the district of eastern Virginia. Judge Halyburton opened the court at Richmond on June 12, 1861 (entry 314). On that day he appointed Loftin N. Ellett to be clerk of court,



appointed and commissioned Patrick Henry Aylett to be attorney, and appointed William F. Watson to be commissioner. The commissioner was to take acknowledgments of bail and affidavits and perform other duties, as required by the provisional constitution of the Confederate States and section 18 of the Judiciary Act of March 16, 1861. No record was found by Survey of Federal Archives field workers which shows that Judge Halyburton held court at Norfolk prior to the evacuation of the area by the Confederate army and navy in the spring of 1862. The court was held regularly at Richmond throughout the four years of war, until it adjourned on March 30, 1865, never to reassemble. Confederate order book No. 1 in which the sessions are recorded is the only Confederate record found at Richmond. Prior to the war the Federal court was quartered in the Custom House on the site of the present Post Office building on Main Street between Tenth and Eleventh Streets. When the Confederate Government was transferred to Richmond, this space was needed for cabinet offices. Probably at that time the clerk's office was established in the State Courthouse in the Capitol Square at the intersection of Franklin and Twelfth Streets, for it was in the State Courthouse "for the present", in 1863 (The Stranger's Guide and Official Directory of the City of Richmond, Richmond, Oct. 1863). It was doubtless still there when the Confederates evacuated the city on the night of April 2, meanwhile setting fire to Government munitions and other stores. The fire spread and swept the business section of the city. It destroyed the State Courthouse but skipped the Federal building. This may explain why United States records of the district and circuit courts dating back to 1790 are preserved, and all Confederate records, except a single order book, are missing. The records of the United States district and circuit courts may never have been moved from the old Custom House. It is known that the records of certain eastern counties which were brought to Richmond and stored in the State Courthouse for protection from the enemy were burned. The preservation of the Confederate States order book is due to the deputy marshal of the late Confederate States Department of Justice and to the clerk of the United States circuit court. The book was saved by the deputy marshal, although it was later taken from him. The offer of a ten dollar reward for its return brought it into the custody of the United States circuit court in 1870. Chief Justice Salmon P. Chase's court order for the return "of all records and papers of the so-called Confederate States Circuit Court" (entry 280) was due to the misunderstanding on the part of the United States authorities of the structure of the Confederate judicial system. There was no Confederate States circuit court.

The court for the western district of Virginia was in session at Staunton on September 30, 1861, and on that day the judge ordered the next term of court "to be held on the first Monday in November next, at the courthouse of Rockbridge in the town of Lexington" (entry 464). Like Staunton, Lexington was lodged in between the mountains in the Valley of Virginia. A small and a strong Presbyterian settlement, it lay about thirty-six miles south of Staunton and was the seat of the Virginia Military Institute, from whose faculty Thomas J. Jackson had lately gone to win immortal fame as General "Stonewall" Jackson of the



Confederate army. Jackson by his defense of the Valley, made it possible for Judge Brockenbrough to hold court. From Lexington, Judge Brockenbrough returned to Staunton where he held another session in March 1862. He then moved 166 miles south to hold the May session at Wytheville.

Fifteen of the forty-seven members of the secession convention at Richmond, who represented the sections of Virginia which now form West Virginia, favored secession, and later 8,000 men from those sections served in the Confederate army (Ambler, History of West Virginia, pp. 309, 336). But the sections opposed secession, and on June 20 the second Wheeling Convention passed an ordinance which gave rise to what its organizers called the reorganized government of Virginia, with Francis H. Pierpont as Governor. Thus the hostility in the sections and the military situation made it impossible for a Confederate States judge to hold court at Clarksburg, Lewisburg, Charleston, or Wheeling. Judge Brockenbrough did go so far, however, as to include certain western counties when he divided the western district into receiver's districts, as required by the act of August 30, 1861, for the sequestration of the estates, property, and effects of alien enemies, and for the indemnity of citizens of the Confederate States and persons aiding in the existing war with the United States. Courts for the western district were held, within the limits of the present State of Virginia at Staunton, Lexington, and Wytheville at least until November 9, 1864 (entry 558), and possibly later. Some of the records which accumulated during these sessions are in the custody of the court at Abingdon (entries 557, 558, 559) and Harrisonburg (entry 464).

Meanwhile on the theory that the Southern States had never left the Union, the United States Congress continued to legislate for a Federal judiciary in Virginia. Thus by an act approved July 15, 1862, hardly two weeks after McClellan's defeat in the hard fought battles round Richmond, it was ordered that the districts of Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, and North Carolina should constitute the fourth circuit. The Washington administration had recognized the Pierpont Government, set up by the trans-Allegheny Virginians, as the "restored" government of Virginia. On May 14, 1862, the legislature of the reorganized state government at Wheeling gave its consent to the partition of Virginia for the formation of the new state of West Virginia. The United States Congress, and President Lincoln, chose to consider that the West Virginians had met the constitutional requirements which forbid a new state to be formed and erected within the jurisdiction of the existing state without the consent of the state. The West Virginia bill for statehood, conditional on the acceptance of the Willey Amendment for gradual emancipation, was approved by President Lincoln on December 31, 1862, and after gradual emancipation had been provided for in the state constitution the anti-Confederate western section of Virginia entered the Union as the state of West Virginia on June 20, 1863. On October 8, 1863, the General Assembly of Virginia, adopted resolutions declaring "it is the firm determination of the state, and known to be that of the Confederate Government, to assert and maintain the jurisdiction and sovereignty of the State of Virginia to the uttermost limits of her ancient boundaries, at any and every cost." As late as June 4, 1864, the second Congress of the



Confederate States passed a joint resolution endorsing the Virginia resolutions.

The Pierpont Government retired to Alexandria which, defended by the Union army, became the new loyal capital of the State of Virginia. It was possible, therefore, for the United States Government in July 1863 to set up a district court in Alexandria. Order book A, July 6, 1863 - June 30, 1864, shows that a "district court for the eastern district of Virginia" was established and that it was established primarily to handle confiscation cases. John C. Underwood was district judge and William H. Barry, clerk. On August 24, 1863, Judge Underwood appointed the first Monday of October 1863, and the court room in Alexandria, as the time and place of trial for a confiscation suit involving the house and furniture of one Dr. M. M. Lewis a citizen of Alexandria.\*

In the district court order book No. 15 (entry 314), at Richmond, are two orders of Judge Underwood, dated March 1, 1864, issued in Alexandria, but obviously copied into the record after Richmond fell. The first appointed Edward J. Underwood, clerk for the eastern district of Virginia; the second ordered that "until further order" the clerk's office of the district court of the United States for the eastern district of Virginia, formerly held at Richmond, "be held in the city of Alexandria in said district." Order book A (entry 304) shows, however, that John C. Underwood was district judge of the eastern district of Virginia, that he had a clerk of court, and that he was holding a district court at Alexandria eight months prior to the date of these records. Some three months later, about a week before Grant's army sat down to besiege Petersburg, the United States Congress passed an act (June 11, 1864) for the redistricting of Virginia. The act allotted the dismembered state only one district which was to be known as the district of Virginia, and one district judge who was to hold the sessions formerly held by the judge of the eastern district and the judge of the western district, within the limits of the newly created district. Judge Underwood was district judge of the single district of Virginia, as long as the district lasted. A New Yorker, born in 1809, he had married in Virginia in 1839 and settled in Clarke County. He became a Free Soiler, was a member of the Republican National Convention of 1856, and was forced to leave Virginia because of his views on slavery. Now as a radical Republican he was back, and in his powerful position of Federal judge, during the Reconstruction period, became one of the most hated men in the state.

On February 25, 1865, when the situation was precarious for the Confederacy, although none was aware that the end was so near, the United States Congress passed an act which ordered that the circuit court in the district of Virginia hitherto held at Richmond should be held at Norfolk on the first Monday in May and the fourth Monday in November. A district court to handle confiscation cases had already been sitting at Norfolk since 1863 (entry 301). In less than two months after the passage of the act of February 25, the Confederacy had collapsed. Once more the United States ruled Virginia.

\* All Alexandria records in the custody of the district court at Richmond were sent to Alexandria in 1941.



A Federal district court opened for business again at Richmond on July 19, 1865. The cases handled were confiscation cases which dealt almost wholly with property of citizens of Richmond. The first case on the docket was that of the Confederate brigadier general, Joseph R. Anderson, head of the Tredegar Iron Works which was one of the bulwarks of the Confederacy. On January 1, 1866, Judge Underwood ordered that the clerk's office for the United States district court of the district of Virginia "now and lately held at the city of Alexandria be removed to the city of Richmond in said district" (order book no. 15, entry 314), and until an act approved February 3, 1871, provided for the division of the state of Virginia into two judicial districts for the holding of courts at other locations, and for the appointment of clerks, the circuit court, which was adjourned from Norfolk to Richmond by authority of an act approved May 22, 1866, and the district courts at Richmond and Norfolk were the only Federal courts in the district of Virginia.

Although the United States courts were reestablished, the Pierpont administration which President Johnson recognized as the valid government of Virginia was never recognized by Congress. The state legislature elected prior to 1867 refused to ratify the Fourteenth Amendment which the Thirty-ninth Congress sent to the states for ratification in June 1866. To accept this amendment to the constitution would force Negro suffrage on the state. It would also disqualify for holding office under the Federal or state governments all citizens who as Congressmen or officers of the army, navy, or any other branch of the Federal service, or as legislative, executive, or judicial officers of the state, had taken an oath to support the constitution of the United States, and had afterward fought on the Confederate side, or had given aid or comfort to the enemies of the United States. Only Congress, in the future, could remove the disabilities which would make these former Confederates ineligible for office. When the radical Republicans triumphed at the polls in the autumn of 1866, electing an even greater majority of Republicans to the Fortieth Congress than were in the Thirty-ninth Congress, the old Congress, which met again in December, was encouraged to proceed immediately with Congressional reconstruction of the former Confederate States. The outcome was the drastic Reconstruction act passed over the President's veto on March 2, 1867.

This act, known as the First Reconstruction Act, placed the former Confederate States, except Tennessee, immediately under military rule in five military districts. General John M. Schofield who had been assigned to command the Department of the Potomac, which included the state of Virginia, was now assigned to command the First Military District into which Virginia was converted. General Schofield assumed his new command on March 13. A second Reconstruction act, which was passed by the new Congress on March 23 over the President's veto, required the Commanding General to cause a registration to be made of all male citizens twenty-one years of age, or older, of whatever race, color, or previous condition, who had been resident in the state for



one year, except those who had been disfranchised for taking part in the war on the side of the Confederate States, or for felony at common law. Before the citizen could be registered he had to take a prescribed oath, stating that he had never held legislative, executive, or judicial office under the state and afterwards sided with the Confederacy, or given aid or comfort to the enemies of the United States, and had never as a Congressman or officer of the United States sworn to support the constitution of the United States and afterward sided with the Confederacy, or given aid or comfort to the enemies of the United States. A third Reconstruction act, passed July 19, 1867, made it clear that the power to determine the eligibility of any person to be registered rested with the boards of registration provided for in the Second Reconstruction Act. The Reconstruction acts thus took away the franchise from thousands of the native voting population of the state and conferred it on Negro males, carpetbaggers, and the comparatively few Virginia men who had sided with the Union or the freedmen. After the voters were registered, it was the business of the Commanding General to provide for a constitutional convention; and when the constitution had been ratified by the eligible voters and when the state legislature elected under the new constitution had ratified the Fourteenth Amendment, the state would be admitted to the Union.

As provided for in the Reconstruction acts, a constitutional convention met in the Hall of Delegates at Richmond on December 3, 1867. It was a mixed assembly in which the radicals, black and white, predominated. Judge Underwood was elected president of the convention. After the constitution was drawn up, it was spoken of as the Underwood constitution. Section 1, clause 4, disfranchised the same groups which had been disfranchised in the election for a constitutional convention. Section 7 of the same article required a test-oath to be taken by all state, city, and county officers which practically disqualified for holding office all native white Virginians capable of holding office. This was because each person who took it was required to swear, "without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion", not only that he had not fought in the Confederate army or navy, or held office, but also that he had not voluntarily given "aid, countenance, counsel, or encouragement" to the Confederate armed forces, and had "not yielded a voluntary support to any pretended government authority, power, or constitution, within the United States, hostile or inimical thereto" (Code of Va., 3rd edit., 1873, pp. 26, 27).

The Reconstruction acts required that the new state constitutions be ratified by the voters. Thus the Virginia convention ordered that an election be held on June 2, 1868, to determine whether the constitution should be adopted. If the Underwood constitution had been adopted at this time, when it was not possible to vote separately on Article III, Section 1, clause 4, and Section 7, only Negroes, carpetbaggers, and scalawags would have been eligible to rule Virginia. General Schofield's experience enabled him to state that the test-oath "excluded from office not only all who had taken active part in the rebellion but even the most constant Union men of the south who had remained at home during the war; for not one of them had escaped 'giving aid or comfort' in some way to those engaged in



rebellion" (John M. Schofield, Forty-six Years in the Army, 1897, p. 396).

The failure of the election to take place in June 1868 was due to General Schofield. His general orders show that from the first he tried to rule Virginia on constitutional principles with the least friction possible. If the election was to be held, the money to finance it had to be taken from the state treasury by the order of the district commander; or it had to come from a special appropriation made by Congress. Congress had made no such appropriation. The General refused to authorize the use of funds from the state treasury, and referred the matter to Congress with the recommendation that the voters be allowed "to vote separately on the disqualifying clause". He also wrote to General Grant in the same vein (*ibid.*, pp. 397 - 402).

A year later, in direct response to the activity of a committee of nine Virginians led by the distinguished Alexander H. H. Stuart of Staunton, which publicly accepted Negro suffrage as a principle, and of conservative Republicans working with the committee, Congress on the recommendation of President Grant passed an act (approved April 10, 1869) which provided for a separate vote on the disfranchising and test-oath sections. The President's Proclamation (May 14, 1869) appointed July 6, 1869, as the day for ratification or rejection of the constitution. It also authorized a separate vote on Article III, Section 1, clause 4, and Section 7. They were rejected, and the constitution accepted. A legislature elected under the new constitution by the enfranchised Negroes, carpetbaggers, and the normal voting population ratified the Fourteenth Amendment, and Virginia, reconstructed by way of the Underwood constitution, was allowed to send her representatives to Congress under an act approved January 26, 1870.

According to Judge Evan A. Evans (Federal Digest, 1940, Vol. 2, p. 11), the justices of the Supreme Court whose business it was regularly to hold a circuit court in the district, sitting with the district judge, refused to hold the circuit courts in the former Confederate States until 1867. Did their independent action cause Congress to pass an act on April 10, 1869, which established a set of permanent circuit judges, one to each circuit, comparable with the circuit judges established by the Federalist act of February 13, 1801, which was repealed in 1802? The act of 1869 differed from the act of 1802 in that it required the chief justice and each justice of the Supreme Court to attend one term of the circuit court in each district of his circuit at least every two years, and also required that cases of unusual importance be held until the arrival of the justice.

In May 1867, nearly two years before the permanent circuit judges were provided for, a circuit court had been convened at Richmond by Judge Underwood, the district judge, for the purpose of summoning for trial one of the most spectacular figures in the world of that day. The defendant in this proposed second trial for treason in the Richmond circuit court, of vivid interest to the entire country, was the former President of the Confederate States of America, Jefferson Davis. The former President was indicted at the May term 1866, of the



circuit court held in Norfolk. By an order of the President of the United States, signed by Chief Justice Chase, General Henry S. Burton who had the custody of Mr. Davis brought him before the circuit court at Richmond on the second Monday in May 1867, which was May 13. But the case was never brought to trial. The ex-President of the Confederate States could not be legally tried outside the district of Virginia. The only circuit court held in the district in 1867 was held at Richmond. It was recognized by the Federal authorities that no Virginia jury which was not packed would convict the former President of the Confederacy. To remove him for trial in another district, or to pack the jury, would be dangerous to the Government. To fail to convict the prisoner would mean repudiation of all the Government's charges. Jefferson Davis had, therefore, to be released.

On February 14, 1870, less than three weeks after the approval of the act (January 26, 1870) admitting representatives from Virginia to Congress, United States Senator John W. Johnston of Abingdon, Virginia, offered to the Senate the following resolution: "Whereas the judge of the district court for the district of Virginia has failed to hold any terms of his court at Staunton and Wytheville: Resolved, that the Committee on Judiciary inquire whether any amendment to the law or any legislation is necessary in regard to said terms of the said court " (Congressional Globe, 2nd Sess. 41st Cong., Part II, p. 1251). As a result of this initial inquiry, President Grant a year later approved an act (February 3, 1871) to divide the state of Virginia into two judicial districts. One of these judicial districts was to be called the western district of Virginia and was to consist of the same counties which today (1942) compose the western district, except Dickenson County which was organized in 1880. The other judicial district, to be called the eastern district of Virginia, was to consist of all the counties not included in the western district. These same counties today compose the eastern district; but the General Assembly of Virginia changed the name of one of them from Alexandria to Arlington by an act approved March 16, 1920.

The act of February 3, 1871, also ordered that a district court and a circuit court be held twice yearly at Richmond, at Norfolk, and at Alexandria in the eastern district, and twice yearly at Lynchburg, at Danville, at Abingdon, and at Harrisonburg in the western district, and since all district court business in Virginia had been handled at Richmond and Norfolk since early 1866, and all circuit court business at Norfolk or Richmond, any case or proceeding then pending on February 3, 1871, which normally would have started in the western district was ordered to be removed on the application of any party to the suit to the appropriate court in the western district. On April 4, 1871, an amendment to the act of February 3, ordered the clerk of the circuit or district court of the western district to transmit to the clerk of the court to which a suit or proceeding should be removed the organic papers and certified copies of all orders pertaining to the suit, together with a statement of all costs. It was also ordered that all further proceedings should be made available in the court to which the organic



papers should be removed, "as if the said suit or proceeding had originally been commenced therein." The Honorable Alexander Rives was appointed judge of the western district (entry 766). The appointment of a man who represented as good if not the best material which the Republican party of the state could furnish seemed to a Richmond editor a good augury (Richmond Whig, February 6, 1871). The act of February 3, 1871, authorized the permanent circuit judge (appointed under the act to amend the judicial system of the United States, approved April 10, 1869) and the district judge to appoint four clerks, each of whom was to be clerk of the circuit and district courts in one of the four cities in the western district.

In the Richmond Whig for February 6, 1871, the editor remarked: "Somebody has said that the state was divided into two districts in order that one of them may be abolished next winter, and along with it one of the judges (Judge Underwood). Heaven forbid! The loss of such a treasure! How could we survive it! Modesty and Faith incorruptible, the sister of justice and the naked Truth. Oh when and where will you ever find his like again." Judge Underwood now became district judge of the district court for eastern Virginia. The last court order signed by him is dated October 7, 1873 (order book No. 15, entry 314). He died of apoplexy at his residence in Washington on December 7, 1873 (Dictionary of American Biography).

No further extension of Federal courts was made in Virginia until an act, approved March 3, 1891, introduced a new court into the Federal system. This court was the circuit court of appeals, a court of record with appellate jurisdiction, which was created in each circuit throughout the United States, and ordered annually to hold one term in each circuit. The term for the fourth circuit was ordered to be held at Richmond and at other places which the court might designate.

The need for a circuit court of appeals grew primarily out of the amazing expansion of the United States in a single generation, 1860 - 1890. During this period, the population doubled and the settlement of that part of the continent between California and the great bend in the Missouri River was completed. Thousands trekked to the west; the spectacular cattle industry on the public land, rose and fell; fabulous oil wells and mines were opened; continental railroads, linking the two oceans, and great manufacturing trusts arose; immigrant labor poured into the United States, and labor unions were organized. Thus the litigation of innumerable legal questions of a public nature followed the serious legal problems left by the war for Southern Independence, and put a greater burden on the Supreme Court than it could handle. During the October (1890) term of the court, 623 new cases were docketed exclusive of sixteen cases which involved the courts original jurisdiction. At this term the court disposed of 617 cases (original and appellate), leaving 1199 undisposed of. It required about three years before a case could be reached by the court, and a part of another year before the decision was announced (Federal Digest, Vol. 2, p. 9).

A subsidiary factor among those which gave rise to the circuit court of appeals was the too great power over the life, liberty, and property of the citizen which the act of 1869 placed in the hands of



the single permanent judge of the circuit court (*ibid.*). The act of March 3, 1891, provided for the appointment by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, of an additional circuit judge in each circuit who should have the same qualifications and the same power and jurisdiction within the circuit that the circuit judges of the United States had within their respective circuits under the existing laws. The act also decreed that the circuit court of appeals should consist of three judges of whom two should constitute a quorum. The judges competent to sit as judges of the circuit court of appeals were the Chief Justice and associate justices of the Supreme Court, each of whom would be assigned to a circuit; the circuit judges within the circuit; and the several district judges within the circuit. A district judge was only competent to sit, however, when the Chief Justice or an associate justice of the Supreme Court was not sitting with the circuit judges. Just which district judge should sit was determined "according to such order or provision among the district judges as either by general or particular assignment" should be designated by the court. It was illegal for a justice or judge to sit if the cause or question to be tried or heard in the circuit court of appeals had already been tried or heard by him in a district court or existing circuit court.

On the creation of the circuit court of appeals, the appellate power was taken from the existing circuit courts. Henceforth no appeal "whether by writ or error or otherwise", could "be taken or allowed" from any district court to the existing circuit court. Review "by appeal, by writ of error, or otherwise", could be had only in the Supreme Court or in the circuit court of appeals. The circuit court of appeals was given appellate jurisdiction "to review by appeal, or by writ of error final decision in the district court and the existing circuit courts in all cases other than those provided for" in Section 5 of the act of March 3, 1891. In certain types of cases explained or listed in Section 6, the judgment or decree of the circuit court of appeals was to be final. In all cases not made final in Section 6, there was to be "of right an appeal or writ of error or review of the case by the Supreme Court" where the matter in controversy exceeded \$1,000 exclusive of costs. But no such appeal might be taken, or writ of error sued out, unless it were done within one year after the entry of the order, judgment, or decree that was sought to be reviewed. It was decreed that all cases listed in Section 5 of the act of March 3, 1891, might be taken from the district courts or the existing circuit courts direct to the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court might also require by a writ of certiorari, or otherwise, any case to be certified to the Supreme Court for review and determination, with the same power and authority in the case as if it had been carried by appeal or writ of error to the Supreme Court, unless the case had previously been made final in the circuit court of appeals. A separate clerk was provided for the new court. The states, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina, and South Carolina, that composed the fourth circuit for which a term was ordered to be held annually in Richmond "and in such other places" within the circuit as the court might "from time to time designate", were the same as those which had been reassigned or newly assigned to the fourth circuit by an act approved July 23, 1866. Acts



and amendments subsequent to the act of March 3, 1891, affecting the circuit court of appeals in the fourth circuit will be noted later.

Although Virginia has always been a great agricultural state, the beginnings of an industrial revolution were already established within her boundaries when war burst upon her citizens in 1861. Upon the recovery from the paralyzing effect of defeat and political reconstruction, industrial forces reasserted themselves. The evolution of the railroads made it possible to open the coal fields and timber resources of the southwestern part of the state and also to bring agricultural products to market in greater volume from most sections. Even Charlottesville, the seat of Thomas Jefferson's university, had a part in the industrial impetus given by the railroads. By 1902 two trunk lines were running through the little city which has an almost central intrastate location. With transportation facilities provided, Charlottesville became an exporting, importing, and banking center for the rich surrounding farming and apple-growing area. It also developed manufacturing interests. Across the Blue Ridge, sixty or seventy miles to the southward in the Valley of the Roanoke River, Roanoke, a mushroom town founded in the early 1880's, had become by 1930 the largest manufacturing city in western Virginia, and the third largest city in the state. It was also a junction of railroads, a center of iron manufacture, and an important retail and wholesale market for farm produce. In each of these two cities Congress by an act of June 30, 1902, established for the western district a circuit and a district court, each to hold one term annually in addition to the two terms held by the circuit court and the district court for the western district in Lynchburg, Danville, Harrisonburg, and Abingdon. By the same act, the clerk of the circuit and district courts at Lynchburg was ordered to appoint two deputy clerks, one of whom should have an office in Charlottesville, the other in Roanoke. Each appointee was to be deputy clerk of the circuit and district courts "for the purpose of taking charge and custody of the court records and papers", attending the sessions of the courts, issuing all proper process, and discharging all the clerical duties in connection with the business of the courts. Two years later Congress passed an act (April 22, 1904) to authorize the holding of a regular term of the circuit and district courts for the western district of Virginia in the city of Big Stone Gap. It is significant that Big Stone Gap is in the mountains of southwestern Virginia in Wise County, where lie the famous Clinch Valley coal fields. Again the clerk of the circuit and district courts at Lynchburg was ordered to appoint a deputy clerk of circuit and district courts, this time to set up an office at Big Stone Gap for the purpose of keeping the records and files and performing in this great coal mining district all the other duties of the deputy clerk of the circuit and district courts. An act approved June 28, 1906, provided for a second term each year of the circuit and district courts at Big Stone Gap, Charlottesville, and Roanoke.

The circuit courts did not have many more years to live. By an act approved March 3, 1911, to take effect January 1, 1912, Congress abolished all United States circuit courts which had been a part of the Federal judicial system since the passage of the first judiciary act, under the constitution, approved September 24, 1789. All their powers and duties,



except their former appellate powers, which were conveyed to the circuit court of appeals in 1891, were now transferred to the district courts. The transfer caused the district courts, whose jurisdiction had been limited and whose volume of business had been neither large nor important from 1789 to 1911, to become the "most important branch of the judicial system," Judge Evan A. Evans who made this statement (Federal Digest, Vol. 2, p. 13) based it not only on the volume of business transacted since 1911, "but also and primarily because the District Courts", which are trial courts sitting both with and without juries "are the courts of contact with litigants, witnesses, and jurors. They are, therefore, the courts which give the public their impressions and ideas of the activities and character of the Federal judicial system. Then, too, the ability of the district judges and the character of their trials, to a large degree determine the volume of appellate court work. For appeals may and often do result from the litigants' unfavorable impressions of the conduct of the trial judge" (*ibid.*). The clerks of the existing circuit courts were ordered by the act of March 3, 1911, to hand over to the clerks of the district courts, for their respective districts, on the day on which the act should take effect, "all the journals, dockets, books, files, records, and other books and papers belonging to or in any manner connected with" those courts. The journals, dockets, books, files, records, and other books and papers would henceforth constitute a part of the official records of the district courts. As proof of the official status of copies of the records, copies "when certified under the hand and seal of the clerk of the district court" were authorized to be received as evidence equally with the original documents from which they were copied. The district clerks were also ordered to perform all the duties with respect to the records and files that had previously been performed by the clerks of the circuit courts. Provision was also made for transferring to the district clerks all official "moneys" in the hands of the circuit clerks; and to the district courts all suits and proceedings pending in the circuit courts, whether originally brought before them or certified to them from the district courts. The cases were to be "disposed of in the district courts in the same manner and with the same effect as if originally begun therein, the record being entered in the records of the circuit courts so transferred" as provided for by the act. The act of March 3, 1911, which provided for these changes, was entitled "An Act to codify, revise, and amend the laws relating to the judiciary." Thereafter it was to be referred to as the Judicial Code.

It will be recalled that an act of April 10, 1869, required the Chief Justice, and each associate justice of the Supreme Court at least once in every two years to attend one term of the circuit court in each district of the circuit to which he should be allotted. This mandatory provision was abolished by Section 297 of the act of March 3, 1911. The act of March 3 provided that the Chief Justice and each associate justice of the Supreme Court should be assigned to a circuit, and that each might sit in the circuit to which he was assigned. Since the creation of the circuit court of appeals in 1891, the Chief Justice has been assigned to the fourth circuit (Claude M. Dean, Clerk, U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals, 4th Cir., Address ... Before W. Va. Bar Association at White Sulphur Springs, Sept. 10, 1929, p. 11). But "since 1911 the justices of Supreme Court have rarely sat in the circuit. Nor has anyone of them frequently



exercised his authority" up to 1940 (Federal Digest, Vol. 2, p. 8). The act of March 3, 1911, made no notable change which affected the Federal judiciary in Virginia apart from the repeal of the mandatory provision of the act of April 10, 1869; the provision for two circuit judges to be appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; the provision that circuit terms might be held at "such other times" as well as in such other places as the court might designate; and the abolition of the venerable circuit courts and the transfer of their powers and duties to the district courts. Amendments or new acts, however, were to be passed prior to 1942 which made revisions or additions that were to bear specifically on the Federal courts in Virginia or on the circuit court of appeals for the fourth circuit.

The docket of the Supreme Court by 1925 had again become overcrowded. To bring relief, Congress passed an act approved February 13, 1925, to amend the Judicial Code and to define further the jurisdiction of the circuit court of appeals and the Supreme Court. "Speaking generally", remarked Mr. Claude M. Dean in his Address (p. 5) to the West Virginia Bar Association in 1929, "as was so well said by the late Judge Rose [Judge John Carter Rose, sometime judge of the circuit court of appeals for the fourth circuit] in the third edition of his excellent book on Federal Jurisdiction and Procedure, the new act [the act of February 3, 1925] provides that at least 95% of the appeals from the District Court go in the first instance to the Circuit Courts of Appeals and that the decisions of the latter Courts are final in all of such cases, subject to the right of the Supreme Court, by a writ of certiorari, to take over any case either before it has been argued in the Circuit Court of Appeals, or after it has been there decided". Mr. Dean also called attention to the three judge district court. "Whenever", he remarked, "you see three judges sitting in the district court, that kind of case they are hearing goes by appeal direct to the Supreme Court" (*ibid.*, p. 7). Since it is required that at least one of the three judges be a circuit judge, the three judge court differs little from a circuit court of appeals other than in name (*ibid.*, p. 6; U.S. Code Annotated, Title 28, Judicial Code..., 1941. For use in 1942, sec. 380a, p. 81).

The movement to extend the jurisdiction of the circuit courts of appeals beyond the range of cases appealed to it from the district courts was in progress both before and after the passage of the act of February 13, 1925. An act approved October 15, 1914, conferred on the circuit courts of appeals the power to review, in connection with certain aspects of antitrust laws, orders of the Interstate Commerce Commission and of the recently established Federal Trade Commission and the Federal Reserve Board. By an act approved September 21, 1922, the circuit courts of appeals were empowered to review appeals from orders issued by a commission composed of the Attorney General and the secretaries of Agriculture and Commerce. The act of February 13, 1925, already mentioned, whose purpose in part was to define further the jurisdiction of the circuit courts of appeals, gave those courts the right to enforce, modify, or set aside orders of the Federal Trade Commission, and an act of February 26, 1926, gave them the right to review decisions of the Board of Tax Appeals, in regard to whether the additional income and other related taxes, which the Commissioner



of Internal Revenue had sought to collect, were valid. The passage of this act "marked the end of one era of tax collection policy in the United States, and the beginning of another and radically different one." Formerly, the taxpayer could seek court action only after he had paid the amount of the assessed tax into the United States Treasury. Other acts empowered the circuit courts of appeals to set aside or modify orders of the National Labor Relations Board (June 19, 1934, and July 5, 1935), and to review orders based on alleged violations of the Grain Futures Act by the Secretary of Agriculture (September 21, 1922, and June 15, 1936). This widening of the jurisdiction of the circuit courts of appeals, enables one to understand why Congress by an act approved September 14, 1922, provided for a third judge in the fourth circuit. Seven years prior to this act, an act approved July 17, 1916, had ordered the judges of the circuit court of appeals for the fourth circuit "annually to open and hold a term of the court" at Asheville, North Carolina, at such times as might be fixed by the judges of the court. This annual term was to be in addition to the terms held annually in Richmond. By 1929, the appellate court had held occasional sessions in other cities. The clerk of the United States circuit court of appeals for the fourth circuit made this clear when he spoke before the West Virginia Bar Association. "In this circuit", he said, "three terms are held at Richmond, Va., and one term at Asheville, N. C., annually. The Court has the power, however, to hold a term at such other places in the Circuit as it deems advisable to meet the exigency of the business before it. It has infrequently held sessions at Baltimore, Md., Charleston, S. C., and Huntington, W. Va." (Dean, Address ..., p. 12). The circuit court of appeals for the fourth circuit has expanded since 1912 in jurisdiction, in the number of its judges, and in the number and location of its sessions.

The business handled by the Federal district courts in Virginia also increased in volume after 1912, making it necessary in due course to lighten the burden of the judge for the eastern district, and later that of the judge for the western district, and to hold a district court in a fourth city in the eastern district. Thus an act approved August 2, 1935, authorized the appointment of one additional judge for the eastern district, and an act approved May 31, 1933, authorized one additional judge for the western district. These acts were followed by an act approved June 13, 1936, which ordered the district court for eastern Virginia to hold two terms annually at Newport News, which with Norfolk City forms the dual port of Norfolk-Newport News. Hitherto no Federal court had ever sat in Newport News which is about five miles across Hampton Roads from Norfolk.

Except the act establishing an annual conference of senior circuit judges; the act to give the Supreme Court authority to make and publish rules in actions at law; and the act providing for the establishment of the administrative office of the United States courts and for an annual circuit conference, the only other important act of the period 1912-1942, affecting the Federal courts in Virginia or the fourth circuit, which has not been mentioned, is an act approved January 31, 1928, abolishing the writ of error, the common law method of securing a review of the alleged mistakes of a trial court in its conduct of a jury trial. The act also provided that "All relief which heretofore could be obtained by writ of

\* Also the acts authorizing the Supreme Court to prescribe rules of practice and procedure in criminal cases after verdict.



error shall hereafter be obtained by appeal." Section 2 of this act was amended by an act of April 26, 1928, to designate the kind of procedure to be used in the appeal which was substituted for the writ of error abolished by the original act.

Judge Evan A. Evans, who is himself senior judge of the circuit court of appeals for the seventh circuit, has commented on the unique character of the Federal judicial system "in the interchangeability and judicial association of its different courts." For more than a century (1789 - 1911). Congress made it mandatory for the Chief Justice and the associate justices of the Supreme Court to ride the circuit and sit as circuit judges with the district judges. Until 1912, therefore, when the circuit courts were abolished, the Supreme Court justices obtained experience in trial court work, in addition to an enlarged appellate experience. In the trial, for instance, of Aaron Burr, for treason, Chief Justice John Marshall sat with the district judge at Richmond as a trial judge. The senior judge of the circuit court of appeals of a circuit may assign a judge of the circuit court of appeals to sit as a district judge in a district court. Again, a district judge may be called to sit as a member of the circuit court of appeals. Circuit and district judges are also brought together in the special three judge court. "All of this", says Judge Evans, "should and does facilitate the exchange of ideas, experiences, and criticisms" (Federal Digest, 1940, pp. 9-10).

On first thought it would seem that Congress was merely enlarging and giving special organization to the historic system of interchange when by an act approved September 14, 1922, it provided for an annual conference, at Washington or elsewhere in the United States, of the senior judges of all the United States circuit courts of appeals. From a historical point of view, however, it seems as if it were at last beginning to apply to the Federal judiciary the principles of organization and nationalization which the swiftness and magnitude of the vast geographical, economic, and social development in the United States since 1861 have made a matter of necessity in almost every other activity. In transportation, manufacturing, the labor movement, banking, public health and morals, the production of pure foods, conservation, in government itself, the question has been not whether there would be nationalization but to what extent it should be carried. By the act of March 3, 1911, Congress repealed the provision in the act of 1869 compelling each justice of the Supreme Court to attend at least one term of the circuit court in each district of the circuit to which he was allotted at least once in every two years, and in so doing it abolished the apparently only unifying supervision over the United States courts except such as was given in administrative matters by the Department of Justice. Although it was provided by the act of March 3, 1911, that the justices should continue to be allotted to the circuits and might sit in the circuits, it would seem that the circuits were left to operate practically as independent units. But not only was there a lack of unifying supervision from above. There were also no national rules to govern actions at law in the Federal district courts. This seems the more illogical when one considers the steady growth in the nationalization of the Federal government through the ever increasing economic and social regulation made possible by the development of the police power of Congress springing from the taxing



power and from the interstate commerce clause in the constitution, and upheld by decisions of the Supreme Court based on its interpretations of the taxing power, the due process clause of the Fourteenth Amendment, and the interstate commerce clause. By the exercise of the necessary and proper clause; vesting of power in administrative boards and commissions; and employment of grants-in-aid to the states, with resulting national control, Congress has also extended nationalization. It seems, therefore, more illogical yet when one considers that the so-called "Conformity Act" of June 1, 1872, took away from the Supreme Court, on the eve of the nationalization of economic organization and of government, the rule-making power in the common-law field which Congress had vested in the Supreme Court by an act of May 8, 1790. The failure of the Supreme Court to exercise this power accounts for the act. Because of it, the Federal district courts in the forty-eight states in 1922 were still required in actions at law to follow "as near as may be" the procedures of the state courts in the forty-eight states; that is to say, the district courts in each state followed the procedure in actions at law of the state in which they were held. It would seem that the conference of senior circuit judges established by the act of September 14, 1922, was a break in this judicial particularism of the lower Federal courts.

The act made it the duty of the Chief Justice, or, in case of his disability, of one of the other justices of the Supreme Court in order of seniority, to summon the senior circuit judges, and to preside over the conference. When a senior circuit judge is unable to attend the conference, any other circuit or district judge in his circuit may be summoned. The judge attending is required to remain throughout the proceedings of the conference and "to advise as to the needs of his circuit and as to any matters in respect of which the administration of justice in the courts of the United States may be improved." The first annual meeting of the senior circuit judges was ordered to be held in Washington as soon as possible after September 14, 1922. This act was amended by an act of July 5, 1937, to include among the judges to be summoned to the conference the chief justice of the United States court of appeals for the District of Columbia (U.S. Code Annotated, Title 28, 1941, sec. 218, p. 100).

The act of September 14 also affected senior district judges. Henceforth on or before August 1, in each year, the senior district judge of each district court was ordered to prepare and submit to the senior circuit judge of the judicial circuit in which his court was located a report which should set forth the condition of business in the district court "including the number and character of cases on the docket, the business in arrears, and cases disposed of", and other pertinent facts, "together with recommendations as to the need of additional judicial assistance for the disposal of business for the year ensuing." The act required the senior circuit judge to submit the report to the conference of senior circuit judges with such recommendations as he deemed proper (*ibid.*).

The Attorney General upon the request of the Chief Justice was required to "report to the conference on matters relating to the business of the several courts of the United States, with particular reference to causes or proceedings in which the United States may be a party" (*ibid.*).

The conference of senior circuit judges for its part was ordered to make a comprehensive survey of the condition of business in the Federal



courts, and to "prepare plans for the assignment and transfer of judges to or from circuits or districts where the state of the docket or condition of business indicates the need therefor." The conference was also ordered to submit "such suggestions to the various courts as may seem in the interest of uniformity and expedition of business" (*ibid.*).

The senior judges were not to sit as a continuous administrative body. Nevertheless, in their brief annual sessions they were "to perform a valuable and useful function." Their members, who were to come from the nine (since 1929, ten) circuits, would exchange ideas, experiences, and criticisms, and prepare plans "in the interest of uniformity", on a national scale.

By Section 307 added to the Judicial code by an act of August 7, 1939, Congress provided for a second mandatory conference of judges. This conference was not a national but a circuit conference. It was to be held annually in each judicial circuit within the United States at such time and place as the senior circuit judge should adopt. These annual conferences held within each circuit are composed of all the circuit and district judges within the circuit. Thus the judges of the circuit court of appeals for the fourth circuit must meet annually with all the district judges of Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina, and South Carolina "for the purpose of considering the state of the business of the courts and advising ways and means of improving the administration of justice within the circuit." Under rules to be prescribed by the circuit court of appeals, members of the bar might participate in this annual circuit conference (*ibid.*, sec. 449, pp. 223-224). The idea of a circuit conference for each Federal judicial circuit throughout the United States was born out of the creative thought of the senior circuit judge of the fourth circuit. To establish a regular annual conference in the fourth circuit had long been his ambition. His idea was crystallized when the first "Annual Meeting of the Federal Judicial Conference of the Fourth Circuit" was held at Asheville, North Carolina, on June fifteenth and sixteenth, 1931 (ms. minutes, June 15-16, 1931). The success of these annual conferences impelled him to recommend legislation for such, in each circuit. As a result he was put on the committee to draft the bill out of which emerged Section 307 of the act of August 7, 1939.

On May 7, 1934, twelve years after the approval of the act establishing the conference of senior circuit judges, and five years before the approval of the act that was to establish the circuit conferences, the Supreme Court promulgated rules of practice and procedure in criminal cases after verdict in the Federal district courts. This was done under an act of March 8, 1934, amending an act of February 24, 1933. Under an act of June 29, 1940, it has appointed a committee to formulate rules to apply prior to and including verdict. On September 16, 1938, there went into effect throughout the United States rules to govern civil procedure in the Federal district courts. The rules had been adopted by the Supreme Court under the authority of an act approved June 19, 1934. Section 1 of this act conferred on the Supreme Court "the power to prescribe, by general rules, for the district courts of the United States, and for the courts of the District of Columbia, the forms of process, writs, pleadings, and motions, and the practice and procedure in civil actions at law." Section 2 stated that "at any time", the court might "unite the general rules prescribed by it for cases in equity with those in actions at law, so as to secure one form of civil action and procedure for both." According to the Hon. John J. Parker, senior circuit judge for the fourth circuit, "the Conformity Act", which in 1872 had taken



away the power of the Supreme Court to make rules for actions at law, "instead of producing real conformity resulted in a hybrid practice full of pitfalls for even a skilled practitioner." The purpose of the act of 1934, according to Judge Parker, "was to abolish technicalities in the Federal practice and to provide a practice so simple that any lawyer of ordinary ability could handle a case in the Federal courts without danger to his client's rights" (Amer. Bar Assoc. Jour., Oct. 1938, p. 793). The Supreme Court met the situation with daring. "It did not confine itself to the more limited authority", stated the editor of the American Bar Association Journal, "but grappled decisively with the whole problem. It announced its decision to unite the rules for cases in equity with those in actions at law 'so as to secure one form of civil action and procedure for both' ... This bold decision stirred the imagination of men." The rules were drafted "with the assistance of an Advisory Committee and with the enthusiastic cooperation of the Bench and Bar" (Amer. Bar Assoc. Jour., Feb. 1938, p. 97). Again the editor stated: "Hundreds of judges and thousands of lawyers have participated in the great task. The rules may be fairly said to present the consensus of professional opinion" (ibid., July 1938, p. 546). In the words of Judge Parker, the rules "are the product of the best thought of the American Bar, and have been devised by lawyers from all sections of the country to give those courts an ideal code of practice adapted to modern conditions. They embody a practice which is better and simpler than anything heretofore achieved either in this country or in England, and which might well be adopted in the interest of expedition and efficiency in all courts, State as well as Federal" (ibid., Oct. 1938, p. 793). Professor Armistead M. Dobie, Dean of the law school of the University of Virginia, and later judge of the circuit court of appeals for the fourth circuit, was appointed by the Supreme Court to be one of the fourteen members of the Advisory Committee.

The Federal rules for civil procedure in the district courts, and for criminal procedure after verdict, are significant for the historian not only because they simplify procedure for lawyers, or make for greater speed, or possibly check that "spirit of resistance" of business men who have sought to adjust "their differences without recourse to the sluggish and cumbersome judicial methods" (Moore's Federal Practice, 1938, Vol. I., p. iv). They are significant also because their standardization of procedure at this late date is a part of that movement which has nationalized the Federal Government. A suggestion that the creation of rules, which rid the courts "of this procedural deadweight ... the accumulation of generations long since gone", was a part of the national movement towards organization may be found in the "Foreword" of the same authority. "The new Federal Rules of Civil Procedure", remarks the author, "are a consistent, comprehensive, and I might add successful effort to bring judicial procedure in harmony with the tone of our economic and social life. They establish a uniform system throughout the country ... they free the courts from that confusion which often resulted from the application of state rules of practice to Federal litigation" (ibid.).

The American Bar Association began the movement for reform in judicial procedure in 1912. Roscoe Pound, at that date Professor of Law in Harvard University, first gave it form. Thomas W. Shelton of Norfolk was the first chairman of the Committee on Uniform Judicial Procedure (Amer. Bar Assoc. Jour., Feb. 1938, p. 97; July 1938, p. 546). Thus representatives of the two mother commonwealths again led a great national



movement. Shelton, who gave the best years of his life to it, died before it came to fruition. When its fate seemed at lowest ebb, the Attorney General of the United States took it up "and with his powerful backing Congress passed the needed legislation" (ibid., Feb. 1938, p. 104).

The centralizing movement to promote the efficiency of the Federal courts culminated for the time being at least, in sections 302-306 added to the Judicial Code by the act approved August 7, 1939. Until this act went into effect ninety days after its approval, the Federal courts in Virginia and elsewhere had no control of administrative matters relating to the offices of their clerks and other clerical and administrative personnel, although they possessed the appointing power. They did not have charge of the appropriations for the maintenance, support, and operation of the courts, or of the purchase, exchange, transfer and distribution of equipment and supplies; they had nothing to do with the examination and audit of vouchers and accounts of their officials, and employees; and lacked the power even to provide their own accommodations. All these administrative matters had been handled by an outside executive department. Another anomaly was that the executive department, the Department of Justice, which wielded the power was one of the leading litigants before the United States courts. The Department of Justice had not been established until after a department of justice had been created by the Provisional Congress of the late Confederate States. Upon its establishment by an act of June 22, 1870, the supervisory powers, which had been "exercised by the Secretary of the Interior over the accounts of the district attorneys, marshals, clerks, and other officers of the courts of the United States", were transferred to the Attorney General whom Congress made the head of the new department. Henceforth the Attorney General performed all duties which related to the administrative matters of the Federal courts. By the act approved August 7, 1939, Congress created a new agency, the administrative office of the United States courts (except the Supreme Court) to be headed by a director. To him were transferred the administrative duties relating to the Federal courts, together with the administrative records. The transfer did not affect "the authority of the courts to appoint their administrative or clerical personnel, or the authority of the Attorney General respecting United States marshals and their deputies, United States attorneys and their assistants."

According to Judge Evans the act "radically changing the administrations of the United States Courts" was passed on the recommendation of the conference of senior circuit judges and the Department of Justice (Federal Digest, p. 10). But the initiative, according to an official of another circuit court of appeals, came from the Attorney General who held office at that date. He recognized the paradox of his department's handling the budget and expenditures of the courts and the individual judges before whom it was constantly appearing as a litigant, and took the remarkable step of himself seeking to divest it of this part of its power, thus executing justice in the highest sense (see also "Report of Att. Gen. Homer Cummings ...", Amer. Bar Assoc. Jour., Feb. 1938, p. 91).

The director whose office was ordered to be established at Washington, is under the supervision and direction of the conference of senior circuit judges. Under their supervision he is required to submit annually to the Bureau of the Budget estimates of funds necessary for the operation



of the courts and the administrative office. The majority of these estimates have to be approved by the conference of senior circuit judges before being submitted to the Bureau of the Budget. The director is also required to submit annually, two weeks before the conference meets, a report of the activities of the administrative office and of the state of business of the courts, "together with the statistical data compiled and submitted by him to the senior circuit judges", with his recommendations. He is appointed by and holds office at the pleasure of the Supreme Court, and is subject to removal by it (U.S. Code, Annotated, Title 28 ..., 1931, secs. 444-447, pp. 221-223). Since the act of August 7, 1939, was passed, no other act has been passed affecting the judiciary in Virginia.

We have seen how and to some extent why the Federal judiciary crossed the Virginia mountains in 1819. We followed its growth in the period 1819-60. We noted the adjournment of the United States courts in Virginia in the spring of 1861 and the rise, and the fall four years later, of their successors, the courts of the Confederate States of America; we traced the partition of Virginia and the establishment of West Virginia, the reduction of Virginia to a single judicial district, the restoration of the United States courts east of the Blue Ridge Mountains, the struggle for white political supremacy, and finally the return of Virginia to the Union in 1870, reconstructed, with Negro suffrage, but under the rule of her normal governing population. Since 1871 we have seen the rise of the circuit court of appeals, which upon its creation in 1891 took from the existing circuit courts their whole appellate power. We have seen the abolition in 1911, of all circuit courts, except the circuit courts of appeals, and the transfer of their powers to the district courts; in one way or another we have followed the growth of the Federal judiciary in Virginia, or in the fourth circuit, in 1891, 1902, 1904, 1906, 1911, 1916, 1922, 1934, 1935, 1938, and 1939; and finally, we have seen the Federal courts in Virginia, like those in all the other states of the Union, drawn into a more nationalized system created by an annual conference of senior circuit judges with power to make plans for moving judges from one circuit to another, if deemed necessary, and to submit suggestions to the various courts "in the interest of uniformity"; by rules of practice and procedure in criminal cases after verdict in district courts and by rules to govern civil procedure in all district courts of the United States; and by the establishment of an administrative office of the United States courts at Washington headed by a director under the supervision and direction of the conference of senior circuit judges. As a result of this growth of more than a century, there are allotted to Virginia, in 1942, two judicial districts known as the eastern and the western districts, and four district judges, two for each district, who annually hold two terms of the district court in eleven cities.

Since 1871 the eastern district has been composed of the territory embraced in the counties of Accomac, Arlington, Amelia, Brunswick, Caroline, Charles City, Chesterfield, Culpeper, Dinwiddie, Elizabeth City, Essex, Fairfax, Fauquier, Gloucester, Goochland, Greensville, Hanover, Henrico, Isle of Wight, James City, King and Queen, King George, King William, Lancaster, Loudoun, Louisa, Lunenburg, Mathews, Mecklenburg, Middlesex, Nansemond, New Kent, Norfolk, Northampton, Northumberland,



Nottoway, Orange, Powhatan, Prince Edward, Prince George, Prince William, Princess Ann, Richmond, Southampton, Spotsylvania, Stafford, Surry, Sussex, Warwick, Westmoreland, and York.

Terms of the district court for the eastern district are held at Newport News on the first Monday in February and the second Monday in July; at Richmond on the first Mondays in April and October; at Norfolk on the first Mondays in May and November; and at Alexandria on the first Mondays in June and December. The present clerk of the district court for the eastern district maintains his office at Norfolk where he is also assisted by deputy clerks. In Richmond and in Alexandria the clerk maintains an office in charge of a deputy clerk. The clerk does not maintain an office in Newport News.

The western district has been composed since 1871 of the territory contained in the counties of Alleghany, Albemarle, Amherst, Appomattox, Augusta, Bath, Bedford, Bland, Botetourt, Buchanan, Buckingham, Campbell, Carroll, Charlotte, Clarke, Craig, Cumberland, Dickenson, Floyd, Fluvanna, Franklin, Frederick, Giles, Grayson, Greene, Halifax, Henry, Highland, Lee, Madison, Montgomery, Nelson, Page, Patrick, Pulaski, Pittsylvania, Rappahannock, Roanoke, Rockbridge, Rockingham, Russell, Scott, Shenandoah, Smyth, Tazewell, Warren, Washington, Wise, and Wythe.

Terms of the district court for the western district are held at Roanoke on the first Mondays in January and July; at Charlottesville on the first Monday in February and on the Wednesday after the first Monday in August; at Danville on the fourth Monday in February and on the Wednesday after the first Monday in September; at Harrisonburg on the third Monday in March and on the fourth Monday in October; at Abingdon on the second Mondays in April and November; at Big Stone Gap on the first Mondays in May and October; and at Lynchburg on the first Mondays in June and December. The clerk of the western district, assisted by a deputy clerk, personally conducts an office at Harrisonburg. He maintains an office in charge of a deputy clerk in each of the other six cities in which terms of the district court are held for the western district.

Since 1866 Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina, and South Carolina have composed the fourth circuit. There are held annually five regular terms of the circuit court of appeals for the fourth circuit. Special terms of the court may be held at any time on order of the court. The regular terms are held on the first Mondays in January, April, June, October, and November. The October and April terms are held in Richmond, the January term in Charlotte, North Carolina, the June term in Asheville, North Carolina, and the November term in Baltimore, Maryland. Two judges constitute a quorum at any regular or special term of the court. There are, however, four circuit judges. Although one of the four has retired, he has the privilege of returning to court when he cares to do so, and has all the powers and the authority which are vested in the other judges.

Under Rule 5 of the Revised Rules of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (1939, with amendments to October 21, 1941), the clerk's office is kept, as formerly, at Richmond. Under Rule 32 of these same rules, the circuit conference created, by the act of August 7, 1939, is held each year in Asheville, North Carolina, at the Asheville term of court. According to Rule 32, it is the duty of every judge of the circuit to attend the conference which is held "for considering



the state of business in the various Districts, for devising means for relieving congestion of dockets where this may be necessary, for improving procedure in the courts, and for exchanging ideas with respect to the administration of justice." The clerk of the circuit court of appeals is secretary to the conference. Of the part played by the clerk and his office in the judicial system, the district judge of the southern district of West Virginia, in an address made at Asheville before the circuit court of appeals for the fourth circuit, remarked: "No court can be properly constituted and act and continue to act in its proper relations to the judges, the lawyers, the litigants, and the public unless it is blessed with good clerks and a well conducted clerk's office. The clerk, in a real sense, is the executive secretary and general manager of the court. The keeping of the records of the proceedings of courts is an art in itself. The qualities required of a good clerk are intelligence, education, infinite patience, industry, attention to details and that good quality of human nature, known as ability to deal at all times and places with the general public. Kind fate and proper selection has given to this court such officers. In the fifty years of its existence, the court has had before it for consideration four thousand, eight hundred and thirteen cases. This means that somebody has had to work faithfully and diligently" (George W. McClintic, Fifty Years of the Circuit Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, June 20, 1941).

A single set of rules to serve for all the circuit courts of appeals was formulated by the justices of the Supreme Court when they themselves organized the circuit courts of appeals in the different circuits after the creation of the court by Congress. But variations to meet particular local needs have since occurred in the rules of the different circuit courts of appeals when the rules have been revised. Such variations are authorized, provided they do not conflict with the United States statutes and with the rules for civil procedure. Additions may also be made to the rules for civil procedure provided they do not conflict with these rules or with the United States statutes. This flexibility gives rein to creative thinking, and to its application, within the circuit. An instance which may be cited is Rule 10 of the Revised Rules (1939) of the circuit court of appeals for the fourth circuit entitled "Printing of Records and Briefs - Contents of Briefs." Rule 10 became effective December 1, 1938. Statistics in the clerk's office show that since the new rule became effective the litigants in 119 cases pending in the circuit court of appeals for the fourth circuit have been saved \$45,318 in the printing of the records, and that the court has been saved many hours of valuable time in not having to read and consider the 30,212 unnecessary pages of the records in those 119 cases (Claude M. Dean, "Transcript of Record" in Federal Rules Decisions, Sept. 1941, Vol. 2, No. 1, p. 33). Rule 10 has been approved by the American Bar Association. The circuit court of appeals for the third circuit has adopted a similar rule. The United States court of appeals for the District of Columbia has a similar rule under consideration (*ibid.*, p. 30).

In 1935 the senior judge of the circuit court of appeals for the fourth circuit invited the fourteen members of the Advisory Committee on rules for civil procedure, appointed by the Supreme Court at the 1934



October term of the Court, to attend the fifth annual meeting of the judicial conference of the fourth circuit to be held at Asheville on June 6, 7, and 8, and to discuss the rules (Minutes ... June 6, 7, 8, 1935). At this period, this type of conference was not held in any of the other nine circuits. The conference was presided over by Chief Justice Hughes. The minutes kept by the secretary were ordered to be printed and to be sent to members of the bench and bar throughout the United States. This was followed by the distribution in May 1936, by the Advisory Committee, of printed copies of a Preliminary Draft of Rules of Civil Procedure for the District Courts of the United States and the District of Columbia, Prepared by the Advisory Committee on Rules for Civil Procedure, with the request for "criticism and suggestions." In all ten judicial circuits local committees at the suggestion of the Chief Justice had already been appointed by the Federal judges to aid in this work. Thus the brilliance of the legal profession throughout the nation was enabled to make its contribution to the rules (Minutes of the Fifth Annual Judicial Conference of the Fourth Circuit ... June 6, 7, 8, 1935, p. 11).

The Advisory Committee requested the bench and bar to submit their suggestions by September 1, 1936. In the following summer, all sessions of the sixth annual judicial conference of the fourth circuit held at Asheville on June 4 and 5 were devoted to the consideration of the Preliminary Draft of the Rules for Civil Procedure prepared by the Advisory Committee (Amer. Bar Assoc. Jour., July 1936, p. 444). "Quite apparently", said the Dean of the law school of Yale University and Reporter to the Advisory Committee, "this meeting affords our first opportunity to gauge the reaction of the profession to our work. The annual conference of the Fourth Judicial circuit has come to be recognized as one of the outstanding gatherings of lawyers to consider the administration of the law in a spirit at once scientific and practical" (ibid., p. 448).

The tradition of creative thinking which Southerners contributed in such large part to the making of the constitution has been upheld in modern times in the fourth circuit.



UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS

APPELLATE FOURTH CIRCUIT TRIAL

RICHMOND

Clerk

Post Office Bldg., 10th and Main Sts.

This court was established in Richmond in 1891. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on November 23, 1936.

1. MINUTES, June 16, 1891 to date. Record of court proceedings showing place and time court was held, judges attending, orders of court in civil and criminal cases, names of parties, and decision of court; vol. 1 gives history of the organization of the court, also rules of court, such as number of judges, qualifications of clerk, and quorum necessary. Entered chronologically. Dockets form index. (Daily, official.) 12 x 16½ vols. (15), 3 ft., on 15 open steel shelves. Vault in R. 402. (157)

2. DOCKETS, Aug. 24, 1891 to date. Record of cases showing case number and title, names of attorneys for both parties, accounts for plaintiff and defendant, abstract of costs, and dates of filings and proceedings in each case. Entered numerically. Indexed. (Daily, official.) 12 x 16½ vols. (17), 3 ft. 6 in., on 17 open steel shelves. Vault in R. 402. (156)

3. CASES, Nos. 1-4138, Aug. 24, 1891 to date. Original opinions, judgments, orders and decrees of court, and related papers including correspondence filed in cases. Filed numerically. (Daily, official.) 4½ x 10½ envelopes, 282 ft., in 282 metal folded document holders. R. 402. (158)



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURTS

EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

NORFOLK

Clerk

Post Office and Courthouse Bldg., Granby St.

The Federal court was established in Norfolk in 1801. Its sessions were temporarily suspended during the War for Southern Independence. Many old records in storage, which were inundated during the hurricane of 1933, were destroyed. No records had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on April 15, 1937.

Old Circuit Court Records

4. RULE DOCKET, Feb. 7, 1884 - Jan. 15, 1898. Records case number, names of attorneys and parties to suit, date process was issued, name of person serving process, date returnable, return of marshal or deputy, and date each case was docketed; used by clerk in maturing cases for hearing before court. Indexed. (Never.) 12 x 18 $\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (913)

5. COURT DOCKET, May 1906 - May 1911. Records case number, names of attorneys and parties to suit, kind of action, and memoranda of proceedings in civil, criminal, bankruptcy, and admiralty cases; used by judge to determine status of each case on docket. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 12 x 18 $\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (692)

6. JUDGMENT DOCKETS, Mar. 27, 1886 - Mar. 7, 1910. Showing date of judgment, date docketed, names of judgment creditor and debtor, amounts of debt, interest, and costs, reference to page and number of record where order of court awarding judgment is entered, and when and how judgment was satisfied; these judgments were rendered in Norfolk and Alexandria, in civil and criminal cases. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vols. (2), 5 in., on 2 open steel shelves. Bindings broken, damaged by vermin. R. 302. (936)

7. CIVIL DOCKET, July 19, 1867 - Feb. 19, 1883. Record of law, admiralty, equity, and bankruptcy cases, showing number and title of



cases, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, accounts for both parties, dates on which amounts were received and disbursed, abstract of costs, memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by vermin and careless handling. Vault in R. 302. (901)

8. LAW DOCKET, May 1890 - Nov. 1911. Showing names of attorneys, names of parties to suit, kind of action, and memoranda of court proceedings. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 11 x 16 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Bindings broken, damaged by vermin. Vault in R. 302. (902)

9. LAW DOCKET, Jan. 10 - Nov. 13, 1906. Records number and title of case, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, amounts received and disbursed, abstract of costs, memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings. Indexed. (Never.) 12 x 16 $\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (903)

10. INDEX TO LAW AND EQUITY CASES, 1872 - 1907. Showing names of plaintiffs and case numbers. Entered alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 16 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Binding broken, damaged by vermin. Vault in R. 302. (670)

11. CHANCERY DOCKETS, May 1890 - Nov. 1899; Sept. 1 - Oct. 9, 1906. Showing names of attorneys, names of parties to suit, kind of action, and memoranda of court proceedings. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 11 x 16 vols. (2), 3 in., on open steel shelf. Bindings broken, damaged by vermin. Vault in R. 302. (699, 900)

12. LAW AND EQUITY MINUTES, May 13, 1874 - Dec. 30, 1911. Showing case number, names of plaintiff and defendant, order allowing amendment to pleading, verdict of jury, judgment of court, order summoning jurors and witnesses and order to pay them, temporary injunction, restraining order, continuance, order for dismissal of case, and order from circuit court of appeals extending time for filing transcript of record, etc., in case; the first 3 vols. cover only equity cases. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (5), 1 ft. 3 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (932)

13. EQUITY CASES, June 25, 1872 - Oct. 16, 1911. Bill of complaint, demurrer, affidavit, exception, petitions, subpoena, brief, depositions, order and decree, mandate, motion to dismiss, stipulation, order appointing special master, report of special master, and order of dismissal or final decree in each case. Filed chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 envelopes, 165 ft., in 31 drawers of steel filing cases. R. 433. (681)

14. CRIMINAL DOCKETS, May 1890 - May 5, 1905. Showing docket number of case, name of defendant, offense charged, name of U. S. attorney, abstract of costs of court, dated statements of cash received and disbursed, memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings. Indexed.



(Never.) 9 x 14 vols. (3), 3 in., on open steel shelf. Bindings broken, damaged by vermin. Vault in R. 302. (908)

# District Court Records

## (General)

15. JUDGE'S DOCKET, Aug. 15, 1864 - Sept. 15, 1868. Showing names of parties, kind of action, names of attorneys, nature of process issued, date on which returnable, marshal's return, and memoranda of court proceedings. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 12 x 18 vol., 1½ in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (693)

16. BAR DOCKETS, May 1868; Nov. 1871; Nov. 1876; May 1877; Nov. 1877; May 1878; May 1879. Showing case number, title, name of attorney, and remarks on status of case; cases listed in following order: criminal, admiralty, bankruptcy, equity, and law cases, and cases ready for discharge. Entered chronologically and by type of case. (Seldom, official.) 7 x 8 and 8 x 13 vols. (7), 2 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 433. (654)

17. JUDGE'S DOCKETS, May 1868; Nov. 1877 - May 1878; May 1, 1912 - May 1, 1918. Recording case number, names of attorneys, kind of action, date instituted, and dated court proceedings; cases are arranged in the following order for each term of court: criminal, law, equity, statutory and miscellaneous, and admiralty cases. Entered chronologically and by type of case. (Seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (5), 3 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 433. (626)

18. CLERK'S DOCKETS, May 1871; Nov. 1876; May 1878; Nov. 1915; Nov. 1922. Showing number of case, names of attorneys, kind of action, date instituted, and dated court proceedings; cases are arranged in following order: indictments and information, law cases, and admiralty cases. Entered according to type of case. (Seldom, official.) 7 x 8 and 12½ x 18 vols. (6), 4 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 433. (610)

19. ROUGH DOCKET, Nov. 16, 1898 - Jan. 7, 1910, Showing names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, style of case, and date process was issued to marshal for service in civil and criminal cases. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 12½ x 18 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (912)

20. CLERK'S DOCKET, NO. 1, May 1912 - May 1915. Records case number, names of attorneys, names of parties to suit, kind of action, when instituted, and dated memoranda of proceedings; criminal cases are segregated. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 12½ x 18 vol., 1½ in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (691)

21. CLERK'S MINUTE BOOKS, Nov. 14, 1865 to date. Notes taken during trial of cases, showing plea entered, names of jurors and witnesses,



verdict of jury, motion by counsel, amount of fine, period of sentence, and judgment of court; used by clerk in writing orders of court. Entered chronologically. (Older records, never; current records, frequently, official.) Various sized vols. (39), 3 ft. 9 in., on open steel shelves. Torn, bindings broken, damaged by vermin and careless handling. Vault in R. 302. (914)

22. ORDER BOOKS, May 5, 1801 - Dec. 25, 1805; June 15, 1811 - May 7, 1882. Showing style of suit, proceedings, dates, decrees, and orders in criminal, law, and admiralty cases. Criminal proceedings list plea of defendant, judgment, and sentence; law proceedings show order allowing amendment to pleading, order summoning jurors and witnesses, verdict, judgment of court, and amounts paid jurors and witnesses; decrees in admiralty cases include judgment, appointment, release, attachment, order for process, decree of sale, and writ of restitution. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (5), 7 in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, ink faded, yellow, damaged by vermin and careless handling, bindings broken. Vault in R. 302. (916)

23. LAW AND EQUITY MINUTES, Feb. 12, 1890 - Apr. 6, 1896. Showing style and number of case, order allowing amendment to pleading, verdict of jury, judgment of court, order summoning jurors and witnesses, order to pay jurors and witnesses, temporary injunction, restraining order, continuance, order for dismissal of case, and copy of order from circuit court of appeals extending time for filing transcript of record, etc. Entered chronologically. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 13 x 18 vol., 3 in., on open steel shelf. Leather binding torn, damaged by vermin. Vault in R. 302. (933)

24. GENERAL COURT MINUTES, June 8, 1899 - Dec. 30, 1911. Showing number and style of case and proceedings and orders in criminal, chancery, law, bankruptcy, and admiralty cases. Chancery decrees include temporary injunction, restraining order, continuance, dismissal of case, and copy of order of circuit court of appeals extending time for filing transcripts of record and judgment; criminal minutes record plea of defendant, judgment, and sentence; law minutes record order allowing amendments to pleading, verdict of jury, judgment of court, order summoning jurors and witnesses, and amount paid for services; bankruptcy minutes include order to show cause upon creditor's petition, order of reference in judge's absence, order of adjudication, order appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, motion made by counsel, and order of discharge; admiralty decrees include judgment, appointment, release, attachment, order for process, decree of sale, and writ of restitution. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (4), 1 ft., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (915)

25. MISCELLANEOUS ORDERS, Jan. 1, 1927 to date. Orders to draw jury, to appoint jury commissioner, to pay into court the wages of seamen, deserters, to grant discharge to bankrupt, to transfer bankruptcy funds to registry of court, to appoint U. S. commissioner, and other orders. Arranged chronologically. (Occasionally, official.) 8 x 10 folders, 20 ft., in 11 steel folded document holders. Vault in R. 302. (618)



26. RECORD OF PETITIONS, May 15, 1813 - May 1, 1820. Showing copies of petitions filed in law and equity cases for writ of habeas corpus, attachment, injunction, scire facias, capias ad respondendum, capias ad satisfaciendum, and damages, and claims of creditors. Indexed. (Never.) 10 x 14 $\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Binding broken, ink faded. Vault in R. 302. (668)

27. ADMIRALTY AND LAW CASES AND EXHIBITS, Dec. 12, 1878 - June 24, 1926. Praecipe for libel, libel, attachment and monition, answer, order for process, venditioni exponae, decree of sale, order dismissing and releasing bond, and writ of restitution, in admiralty cases; and petition, affidavit, bond, subpoena, marshal's return on process, charge of court, order directing payment, decree of distribution, depositions, answer, bonds, etc., in law cases; also exhibits. Arranged chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 12 folders, envelopes, and bundles, 192 ft., in 48 drawers of steel filing cases. R. 433. (677)

28. ADMIRALTY AND LAW CASES, ENDED, Sept. 2, 1920 to date. Praecipe for libel, notice of libel, stipulation for costs, order for process, monition and attachment, motion to dismiss, order dismissing and releasing bond, and writ of restitution, in admiralty cases; and in law cases, plaintiff's declaration as to cause of action, appearance of defendant, motion of dismissal, bond for costs filed, plea entered, plea to jurisdiction, demurred plea in abatement, and final decree. Filed numerically. Have vol. index. (Seldom, official.) 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 folders, 201 ft., in 15 drawers of steel filing cases and in 144 steel folded document holders. R. 302. (672)

29. LAW AND ADMIRALTY CASES, PENDING, Dec. 10, 1936 to date. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict, judgment, and bill of exceptions, in law cases; and in admiralty cases, libel, process, marshal's return, claim, stipulation, answer, testimony and exhibits for libellant, testimony and exhibits for respondent, testimony and exhibits in rebuttal, opinion, and decree. Arranged chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 9 x 15 folders and 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 envelopes, 4 ft. 6 in., in 2 drawers of steel filing cases. R. 302. (671)

30. ADMIRALTY AND LAW EXHIBITS, Apr. 1, 1920 to date. Maps, charts, and photographs used as exhibits in admiralty cases; and statements of accounts, receipts, surety bonds, shortage accounts, depositions, and answers in law cases. Arranged numerically. (Occasionally, official.) 12 x 16 envelopes, 16 ft., in 8 drawers of steel filing cases. R. 302. (650)

31. BONDS IN CRIMINAL, LAW, ADMIRALTY, AND EQUITY CASES, Jan. 1, 1932 to date. Show number of case, amount of bond, name of surety, and clerk's certificates as to sufficiency of surety. Arranged chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 12 folders, 3 in., in steel document holder. Vault in R. 302. (939)



32. JUDGMENT DOCKET AND EXECUTION BOOK, Feb. 16, 1802 - Jan. 5, 1827. Showing names of judgment creditor and debtor, date, amounts of principal, interest, and costs, date of execution, name of person to whom delivered for service, date returnable, and nature of return; covers judgments in law and equity cases. Indexed. (Never.) 8 x 13 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water. Vault in R. 302. (937)

33. JUDGMENT DOCKETS, Mar. 19, 1887 - July 12, 1930. Showing date of judgment, date docketed, names of judgment creditor and debtor, amounts of debt, interest, and costs, reference to page and number of record where court order awarding judgment is entered, and when and how judgment was satisfied; cover judgments in civil and criminal cases. Indexed. (Older records, seldom; current records, frequently, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 and 13 x 18 vols. (2), 5 in., on 2 open steel shelves. Damaged by vermin. R. 302. (935)

34. JUDGMENT AND DOCKET INDEX, July 26, 1929 to date. Showing names of judgment debtor and creditor, case number, reference to volume and page of civil or criminal docket where case is docketed, date of judgment, amounts of principal, interest, and costs, statement of payment or satisfaction, and remarks. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 vols. (2), 3 in., on 2 open steel shelves. R. 306. (934)

35. EXECUTION BOOK, June 9, 1854 - Dec. 19, 1902. Records date of execution, verdict, names of parties, amounts of principal, interest, and costs, date execution issued, date returnable, and nature of return. Indexed. (Never.) 12 x  $17\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (938)

36. LAW ORDER BOOKS, Nov. 2, 1863 - June 27, 1899. Showing style and number of case, proceedings, and orders in criminal and civil cases. Civil minutes record order allowing amendment to pleading, verdict of jury, judgment of court, order summoning jurors, and order to pay them. Criminal minutes record plea of defendant, judgment, and sentence. Entered chronologically. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (4), 9 in., on open steel shelf. Bindings broken, damaged by vermin. Vault in R. 302. (931)

37. LAW ORDER BOOKS, Nos. 1-5, Jan. 3, 1912 - June 2, 1921. Showing style and number of case, proceedings, and orders in criminal and civil cases. Civil minutes record order allowing amendment to pleading, verdict of jury, judgment of court, order summoning jurors and witnesses, and order to pay them. Criminal minutes record plea of defendant, judgment, and sentence. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vols. (5), 1 ft. 8 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (930)

38. LAW ORDER BOOKS, Nos. 6-13, May 2, 1921 - Nov. 13, 1934. Showing style and number of case, proceedings, and orders in criminal and civil cases. Civil minutes record order allowing amendment to pleading, verdict of jury, judgment of court, order summoning jurors and witnesses, and order to pay them. Criminal minutes record plea of defendant, judgment,



and sentence. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (5), and loose-leaf books (3), 9 in., on 8 open steel shelves. R. 302. (929)

39. WRIT, CITATION, AND SUBPOENA DOCKET, RICHMOND AND NORFOLK, Dec. term, 1812 - Nov. term, 1816. Records fees and mileage of deputy marshals in serving writs, citations, and subpoenas in civil and criminal cases. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 8 x 12 $\frac{3}{4}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Yellow, damaged by vermin and careless handling. Vault in R. 302. (961)

40. LAW AND ADMIRALTY DOCKETS, Feb. 17, 1913 - Oct. 5, 1927. Showing case number, title, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, amounts received and disbursed, abstract of costs, memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 15 x 15 $\frac{3}{4}$  vols. (22), 3 ft. 6 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (697)

41. LAW AND ADMIRALTY DOCKETS, Mar. 1, 1927 to date. Showing case number, title, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, amounts received and disbursed, abstract of costs, memoranda of papers filed and dated court proceedings. Indexed. (Older records, occasionally; current records, frequently, official.) 15 x 16 vols. (7), 1 ft. 2 in., on 7 open steel shelves. R. 306. (696)

(EQUITY)

42. EQUITY DOCKETS, Apr. 27, 1936 to date. Showing case number, title, names of attorneys for complainant and defendant, amounts received and disbursed, abstract of costs, memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 15 x 15 $\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (4), 6 in., on 4 open steel shelves. R. 306. (695)

43. CHANCERY ORDER BOOKS, Jan. 15, 1912 - Apr. 8, 1929. Showing style and number of each case and decrees, including order for temporary injunction, restraining order, order for continuance, order for dismissal, copy of order from circuit court of appeals extending time for filing transcript of record, and judgment of court. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vols. (2), 6 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (920)

44. EQUITY ORDER BOOK, Apr. 13, 1929 - July 22, 1933. Showing style and number of each case and decrees, including order for temporary injunction, restraining order, continuance, order for dismissal, and copy of order of circuit court of appeals extending time for filing transcript of record. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 16 loose-leaf book, 3 in., on open steel shelf. R. 302. (919)

45. EQUITY CASES ENDED, Feb. 21, 1905 - Jan. 1, 1933. Bill of complaint, subpoena, motion to dismiss, stipulation extending time, order appointing special master, testimony, stipulation of counsel, and order of dismissal or final decree. Arranged chronologically and numerically. (Seldom, official.) 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 folders, 36 ft., in 42 steel folded document holders. R. 302. (679)



46. EQUITY CASES, PENDING, Jan. 1, 1933 to date. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibits for complainant, testimony and exhibits for defendant, testimony and exhibits in rebuttal, opinion, and decree. Arranged chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 9 x 15 folders, 2 ft. 6 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 302. (678)

47. EQUITY CASE NO. 214, SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY COMPANY, PENDING, Dec. 24, 1930 to date. Receivership suit including petitions, affidavits, appointments of receivers, claims of creditors, statements of accounts, reports of receivers, depositions in support of claims, and orders of court. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 8½ x 10 folders and envelopes, 25 ft., in 18 steel folded document holders and 3 drawers of steel filing case. R. 302. (680)

48. EQUITY EXHIBITS IN ENDED CASES, Apr. 26, 1925 - Dec. 31, 1926. Maps and charts made by the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, photographs, indentures, stipulations, etc. 10 x 12 envelopes, 10 ft., in 4 drawers of steel filing case. R. 433. (690)

49. EQUITY EXHIBITS, Jan. 1, 1933 to date. Statements of accounts, invoices, copies of contracts, maps, charts, and correspondence between creditors and receivers relative to claims. Filed numerically by number of case. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 16 bundles, 14 ft., in 4 drawers of steel filing case. R. 302. (601)

(Bankruptcy)

50. JUDGE'S BANKRUPTCY DOCKET, July 2, 1867 - Sept. 29, 1868. Showing names of parties, kind of action, names of attorneys, nature of process issued, when returnable, marshal's return, and memoranda of court proceedings. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 12½ x 17¾ vol., 1½ in., on open steel shelf. Leather binding torn. Vault in R. 302. (694)

51. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, July 2, 1867 - Aug. 31, 1878; Sept. 15, 1898 - Oct. 8, 1929. Showing case number, name, residence, and occupation of bankrupt, names of attorney, referee, and trustee, cash received and disbursed, and memoranda of dated court proceedings; vols. 1-14, A, and B. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (16), 3 ft., on 2 open steel shelves. Damaged by vermin and careless handling. Vault in R. 302. (910)

52. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, June 20, 1929 to date. Showing case number, name, occupation, and address of bankrupt, name of employer, names of attorney, referee, and trustee, cash received and disbursed, and memoranda of dated court proceedings; vols. 15-26. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12½ x 17 vols. (8) and 10 x 11½ loose-leaf books (4), 2 ft. 6 in., on 12 open steel shelves. R. 306. (909)

53. BANKRUPTCY ORDER BOOKS, July 2, 1868 - Aug. 17, 1896; Jan. 18, 1899 - July 16, 1928. Showing name of bankrupt, date, case number, order



to show cause upon creditors' petition, order of reference in judge's absence, order of adjudication, order appointing receivers and confirming their actions, orders affecting sale of real and personal property, motion made by counsel, and order of discharge. Entered chronologically. Indexed. (Older records, never; recent records, seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (20), 4 ft. 11 in., on 4 open steel shelves. Vault in R. 302. (648, 924, 925)

54. BANKRUPTCY ORDER BOOKS, July 18, 1928 - Oct. 9, 1929; Mar. 7, 1931 - Mar. 24, 1935. Showing name of bankrupt, case number, date, order to show cause upon creditors' petitions, order of reference in judge's absence, order of adjudication, order appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, order of discharge, and motion made by counsel. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 10½ x 16 loose-leaf books (3), 10 in., on 3 open steel shelves. R. 302. (923)

55. ORDER OF ADJUDICATION AND REFERENCE IN BANKRUPTCY CASES, July 6, 1867 - Feb. 19, 1868; Apr. 28, 1908 - Dec. 3, 1932. Record orders signed by judge adjudging persons bankrupts, after their petitions and other papers had been considered, and assigning their cases to be referred to referee, showing name of bankrupt, case number and date. Entered chronologically. Indexed. (Older records, never; recent records, seldom, official.) 10½ x 16 vols. (15), 11 in., on 2 open steel shelves. Bindings broken, damaged by vermin. Vault in R. 302. (921, 922)

56. ORDERS OF NOTICE FOR DISCHARGE OF BANKRUPTCY, Apr. 30, 1908 - July 20, 1915. Showing name of bankrupt, case number, date, order for hearing on petition, and order that notice be published in paper designating time and place for creditors and other persons interested to appear and show cause why discharge should not be ordered. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 16 vol., 2½ in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (927)

57. ORDERS OF DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY, Mar. 13, 1875 - May 3, 1895; Apr. 29, 1908 - Sept. 9, 1932. Showing name and residence of bankrupt, case number, date, and order; vols. A-F. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 and 12 x 16 vols. (6), 1 ft. 2 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (928)

58. BANKRUPTCY CASES, ENDED, Sept. 15, 1898 - Dec. 31, 1922. Petition, schedule, order of adjudication, notice to creditors, claims filed by creditors, petition to set aside homestead and poor debtor's exemption, order affecting sale of real and personal property, report of receiver or trustee, report of referee, petition for discharge, and order of discharge. Arranged numerically. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 envelopes and bundles, 455 ft., in 65 drawers of steel filing cases. R. 433. (605)

59. BANKRUPTCY CASES, PENDING AND ENDED, Feb. 1, 1921 to date. Petition, schedule, order of adjudication, notice to creditors, claims filed by creditors, petition to set aside homestead and poor debtor's exemp-



tion, order affecting sale of real and personal property, report of receiver or trustee, report of referee, petition for discharge, and order of discharge. Arranged numerically. (Seldom, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 folders, 1393 ft., in 23 drawers of steel filing cases and in 911 steel and wooden folded document holders. R. 302. (606)

60. ORDERS OF DISTRIBUTION IN BANKRUPTCY CASES, Apr. 25, 1922 to date. Itemized statement and report of referee in bankruptcy showing case number, receipts, and disbursements, approved and signed by judge of district court; also numbered order to clerk to issue checks to parties named in report. Arranged numerically. (Seldom, official.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 loose papers and 9 x 15 folders, 14 ft. 6 in., in 3 drawers of steel filing case. R. 302. (926)

61. GENERAL INDEX TO BANKRUPTCY CASES, Jan. 1, 1898 to date. Shows name of bankrupt, number of case, and reference to docket and page number. Entered alphabetically. (Frequently, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. R. 306. (642)

62. REPORTS OF REFEREES IN BANKRUPTCY, July 18, 1930 - June 20, 1933. Final reports made by referee to clerk recording case number, name of bankrupt, date petition was filed, date of report, occupation of bankrupt, amount of liabilities, amount realized in proceeding, distribution of net assets, signature of referee, and closing date of case. Arranged chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 19 folders, 2 ft. 6 in., in wooden box on floor. R. 433. (669)

63. CONCILIATION COMMISSIONERS' APPOINTMENTS, OATHS OF OFFICE, AND BONDS, Jan. 1, 1934 to date. Orders of court appointing conciliation commissioners, bonds of commissioners, and oaths of office, filed in conformity with the act of Congress of Mar. 3, 1933, to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the U. S. Filed chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 14 folders, 1 ft. 3 in., in 2 steel folded document holders. Vault in R. 302. (612)

64. BANKRUPTCY RULE IN RESECURING BANKRUPTCY DEPOSITS, PETITIONS, AND ORDERS RELEASING SECURITIES DEPOSITED BY BANKS, AND OLD BONDS EXECUTED BY BANKS, Oct. 2, 1931 - May 8, 1935. Corporate surety bonds and collateral bonds covering bankruptcy deposits made in banks of Eastern Virginia; combined surety and collateral bonds covering bankruptcy deposits have been discontinued since the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation came into existence. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 14 folders, 1 ft. 3 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Vault in R. 302. (674)

65. MONTHLY STATEMENTS SUBMITTED BY DESIGNATED DEPOSITORIES OF BANKRUPTCY FUNDS, Jan. 1, 1934 to date. Statements of banks showing balance on deposit in bankruptcy case, case number, name of trustee, and name of bank. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 14 folders, 3 in., in steel folded document holder. Vault in R. 302. (673)

66. REFEREES' SEMIANNUAL ACCOUNTS, Jan. 1, 1933 to date. Record of receipts and disbursements upon account of indemnity, showing name of



bankrupt, case number, and aggregate amount received to defray expenses connected with discharge of official duties; submitted under general order number 26 in bankruptcy which went into effect Jan. 1, 1933; a copy of the account is forwarded to the Attorney General. Arranged chronologically. (Seldom, confidential.)  $2\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 bundles, 2 ft., in steel folded document holder. Vault in R. 302. (966)

67. BANKRUPTCY LEDGER, Jan. 11, 1904 - Oct. 29, 1919. Showing name of bankrupt, amount deposited to bankrupt's estate by court order, date of deposit, date of order of distribution, amount, and date of payment to each creditor. Indexed. (Never.)  $11 \times 16\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 3 in., on open steel shelf. Binding broken, damaged by vermin. Vault in R. 302. (684)

68. BANKRUPTCY LEDGER, Dec. 17, 1919 - Apr. 21, 1926. Showing docket number of case, name of bankrupt, amount of funds deposited to credit of court, date, name of bank, date of decree to disburse funds, and date of disbursement by clerk. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $10 \times 13$  loose-leaf book, 3 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (687)

69. BANKRUPTCY LEDGER NO. 7, Jan. 9, 1926 to date. Showing docket number of case, name of bankrupt, amount of funds deposited to credit of court, date, name of bank, date of decree to disburse funds, and date of disbursement by clerk. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $15\frac{1}{2} \times 17\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. R. 302. (686)

70. CHECK STUBS, BANKRUPTCY, Oct. 11, 1899 - Oct. 8, 1933. Showing name of payee, amount, name of bankrupt, case number, and date of court order authorizing payment; checks apparently drawn by deputy clerk and countersigned by referee in bankruptcy were issued in payment of creditors and court costs in bankruptcy cases. Entered numerically. (Seldom, official.)  $14 \times 15$  bound check stubs (84), 2 ft. 6 in., stacked on floor. R. 433. (656)

71. CHECK STUBS, BANKRUPTCY, Oct. 9, 1902 to date. Showing date check issued, name of payee, amount, name of bankrupt, case number, date of court order for disbursement of funds, and check number; checks signed by clerk. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $10 \times 17$  bound check stubs (74), 12 ft., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (676)

72. BANKRUPTCY EXHIBITS, Nov. 2, 1927 to date. Financial reports, depositions, maps, charts, statements of accounts, cancelled checks, and orders appointing receivers and trustees. Arranged numerically. (Seldom, official.)  $10 \times 14$  envelopes, 1 ft. 6 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 302. (653)

(Admiralty)

73. ADMIRALTY DOCKETS, Apr. 20, 1866 - July 16, 1910. Showing case number, title of case, names of attorneys for libellant and respondent, dated account showing amounts received and disbursed, abstract of costs,



memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings. Indexed. Never. 11 x 16 and 12½ x 17¾ vols. (2), 3 in., on open steel shelf. Bindings broken, damaged by vermin and careless handling. Vault in R. 302. (904)

74. ADMIRALTY ORDER BOOKS, July 1864 - Feb. 1889. Containing orders of judgment, appointment, release, and attachment; orders for process; decrees of sale; and writs of restitution. Indexed. (Never.) 10 x 12 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (643)

75. ADMIRALTY ORDER BOOKS, July 20, 1864 - Feb. 5, 1889; Apr. 2, 1890 - Dec. 2, 1899. Showing decrees, judgments, appointments, releases, attachments, orders for process, decrees of sale, and writs of restitution. Indexed. (Never.) 12½ x 18 and 12 x 16 vols. (2), 4 in., on open steel shelf. Bindings broken, damaged by vermin. Vault in R. 302. (918)

76. ADMIRALTY ORDER BOOKS, Nov. 4, 1899 to date. Containing orders of judgment, appointment, release, and attachment; orders for process; decrees of sale; and writs of restitution; vols. D-J and current unlabeled loose-leaf book. Indexed. (Older records, seldom; current records, frequently, official.) Various sized vols. (7) and loose-leaf book, 2 ft. 3 in., on 8 open steel shelves. Damaged by vermin. R. 302. (917)

77. CLAIMANTS' AND LIBELLANTS' STIPULATIONS IN ADMIRALTY, Mar. 12, 1857 - Dec. 15, 1860; Mar. 21, 1891 - Feb. 28, 1908; Apr. 1, 1908 to date. Showing names of parties, case number, date of filing of libel, name of vessel, and bond of \$250.00 to cover court costs and expenses, with signatures of principal and surety attested by clerk. Indexed. (Older records, never; current records, frequently, official.) Various sized vols. (17), 2 ft. 10 in., on 2 open steel shelves. (Older records damaged by vermin, pages loose, bindings broken. Vault in R. 302. (664)

78. RECORD OF BONDS IN ADMIRALTY, Sept. 28, 1898 - Jan. 7, 1915; July 12, 1920 to date. Of bonds for costs and release of vessels, showing signatures of principal and surety, amount, date, and condition of obligation; attested by clerk as to sufficient amount of surety. Indexed. (Older records, never; more recent records, seldom; current records, frequently, official.) 10 x 11 and 9½ x 15 vols. (3), 10 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. Vault in R. 302. (617, 662, 663)

79. UNITED STATES V. SCHOONER SUCCESS, Jan. 2, 1801. Notice of libel; also citations, sea letter, decree, and three documents signed by John Adams, President, and Timothy Pickering, Secretary of State: commission on parchment authorizing vessel to prey on French commerce, Mediterranean papers, and letter of marque and reprisal; the schooner Success while smuggling slaves into the U. S. was taken by the ship of the line Chesapeake and sold, although this was contrary to law. (Never.) 9½ x 14½ envelope, 1 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (636)



80. UNITED STATES V. SHIP ISABELLA, Dec. 17, 1803. Case of illegal smuggling of slaves by crew of Isabella. Notice of libel, deposition, citation, bond, order for release of vessel, newspaper clippings concerning sale of the Isabella, and privateersman's commission, signed by President James Madison, belonging to vessel capturing the Isabella. As the Isabella endeavored to smuggle slaves into the State of S. C., a copy of the slave law, signed by those members of the S. C. legislature empowered to issue copies of laws of the state, was a required exhibit and is included in these papers. (Never.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x  $14\frac{1}{2}$  envelope, 1 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (638)

81. UNITED STATES V. BRIG TRANSFER, WAR OF U. S. WITH TRIPOLI, 1804. Case concerning an English vessel taken by the American vessels Syren and Nautilus, while she was attempting to run blockade into port of Tripoli to furnish firearms to enemy. Case includes ship's papers, cargo lists, letters of marque and reprisal, crew lists, and a letter signed by Commodore Edward Preble, Commandant of Mediterranean squadron, proclaiming blockade of the port of Tripoli and ordering that vessels attempting to convey supplies of any nature to the enemy be taken and sold as prizes of war. According to current maritime law, the Transfer was guilty of a felony and was subject to confiscation and sale, the proceeds to go to the crews of the vessels taking the risk. The case papers are signed by the President of the U. S. (Never.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 envelopes, 1 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (962)

82. UNITED STATES V. THE LUCY AND ALIDA, WAR OF 1812. Prize case against an English vessel; ship's papers include license for vessel, crew lists, ship's log, Dutch clearance papers, master's papers, letters taken from ship, London customs receipts, and commission for American privateersman signed by President Madison. (Never.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x  $14\frac{1}{2}$  envelopes, 3 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (633)

83. UNITED STATES V. THE BRIGANTINE ROEBUCK, WAR OF 1812, Aug. 20, 1812. Prize case against an English vessel; ship's papers include crew lists, seamen indentures, depositions, citations, and instructions to privately armed vessels. (Never.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x  $14\frac{1}{2}$  envelope, 1 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (634)

84. LEDGER OF AMOUNTS DUE DECEASED AND DESERTING SEAMEN, Dec. 1, 1899 - Oct. 21, 1919. Showing amounts deposited to credit of the court due estates of deceased and deserting seamen, with records of disbursements by clerk upon court order. Entered alphabetically. (Never.)  $10\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Binding broken. Vault in R. 302. (689)

85. AMOUNTS PAID INTO COURT DUE DECEASED AND DESERTING SEAMEN, June 11, 1920 to date. Petitions, affidavits, and correspondence of claimants to funds due seamen who have died or deserted; also correspondence of the district clerk with officials of the U. S. Navy, labor union officials, shipping commissioners, and various individuals in support or protest of claims. Arranged alphabetically. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 10 envelopes, 7 ft. 6 in., in 5 steel folded document holders. R. 302. (943)



86. ADMIRALTY LEDGER, Oct. 17, 1919 - Dec. 31, 1932. Showing style of case, amount received by clerk, amount deposited to credit of court, and disbursement by court order. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 13 loose-leaf book, 3 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (685)

(Criminal)

87. CRIMINAL DOCKETS, June 9, 1908 - Dec. 1, 1931. Showing docket number of case, name of defendant, statute violated, name of attorney for the U. S., abstract of court costs, dated statement of cash received and disbursed, memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 and  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vols. (3), 9 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (906)

88. CRIMINAL DOCKETS, Nov. 13, 1918 to date. Showing docket number of case, name of defendant, statute violated, name of attorney for the U. S., abstract of court costs, dated statement of cash received and disbursed, memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings; vols. 3-14. Indexed. (Older records, occasionally; current records, frequently, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 vols. (11) and 10 x  $11\frac{1}{2}$  loose-leaf book, 2 ft.  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on 12 open steel shelves. R. 302. (905)

89. FINAL CRIMINAL RECORD, Nov. 11, 1892 - Dec. 18, 1900. Showing copies of indictments, pleas, exhibits, depositions, orders of dismissal and removal, and returns of marshal in criminal cases. Indexed. (Never.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (641)

90. ORDERS OF SEIZURE, Oct. 28, 1863 - May 20, 1865. Clerk's record of orders from U. S. attorney to U. S. marshal to seize real and personal property in accordance with the act of Congress of July 17, 1862, "to suppress rebellion", signed by U. S. attorney and also by marshal or deputy as proof of execution of order. Entered chronologically. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 14 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (965)

91. CRIMINAL CASES, ENDED, Jan. 12, 1889 - May 10, 1933. Indictments, mittimus, subpoenas, orders of court, depositions, instructions of court to jury, orders for writs of error, supersedeas and bail, writs of error, bills of exceptions, certificates of judge, and depositions of witnesses. Arranged numerically. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 14 folders, 109 ft., in 73 steel folded document holders. R. 302. (683)

92. CRIMINAL REGISTER, May 2, 1905 - Jan. 20, 1908. Showing case number, dates of service, offense charged, name of defendant, names of attorneys, and memoranda of court proceedings. Indexed. (Never.) 10 x 13 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (907)

93. CRIMINAL EXHIBITS, May 18, 1932 to date. Contracts, automobile title certificates, cancelled checks, counterfeit labels, account books, bills of sale, invoices, and photostat copies of legal documents in cases; case envelope shows style of case, case number, and date of trial.



Arranged numerically and chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 16 envelopes, 4 ft., in 3 drawers of steel filing case. R. 302. (600)

94. INDICTMENTS, NOT TRUE BILLS, Nov. 7, 1927 to date. Indictments in criminal cases which have been returned by grand jury with notation "not a true bill", because of insufficient evidence to support charges. Arranged chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 10 folders, 1 ft. 4 in., in 2 drawers of steel filing case. R. 302. (602)

95. INDICTMENTS AND INFORMATIONS, PENDING, May 11, 1933 to date. Indictments and informations returned by grand jury in pending criminal cases. Filed chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 folders, 10 ft., in 7 drawers of steel filing cases. R. 302. (682)

96. REMISSION OF PORTION OF FINE, Apr. 12, 1834. In the case of John Sutton, signed by Andrew Jackson, President, and Louis McLane, Secretary of State; it remits \$350.00 of a \$400.00 fine, incurred by violating the revenue laws. (Never.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x  $14\frac{1}{2}$  envelope,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (621)

(United States Commissioner)

97. CRIMINAL BONDS EXECUTED BEFORE U. S. COMMISSIONER, 1927 - 1929. Showing signatures of principal and surety, amount, date, date for defendant's appearance before court, and attestation by clerk as to sufficiency of surety; required of defendants for appearance before court when there is sufficient evidence to warrant such action. Arranged alphabetically. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers, 1 ft. 3 in., in steel folded document holder. R. 302. (904)

98. CRIMINAL BONDS EXECUTED BEFORE U. S. COMMISSIONER, Jan. 1, 1927 to date. Showing amount, signatures of principal and surety, and provision for appearance of principal before court for trial; statement of justification and an affidavit as to sufficiency of surety attached. Arranged alphabetically. (Seldom, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 10 folders, 8 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 302. (963)

99. U. S. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS, Jan. 1, 1927 to date. Showing itemized accounts of fees due for each quarter, with name of defendant and nature of offense designated. Arranged chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 10 folders, 7 ft. 2 in., in 9 steel folded document holders. R. 302. (604, 616, 622, 964)

(Naturalization)

100. RECORD OF CITIZENSHIP UNDER OLD LAW, June 4, 1852 - Sept. 17, 1906. Oaths of persons desiring to become citizens of the U. S. subscribed and sworn to before the District clerk, court orders admitting persons as citizens of the U. S., and pleas filed by U. S. attorney against persons charged with violating citizenship laws. Indexed. (Never.) 11 x 12 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (620)



101. DECLARATIONS OF INTENTION, Sept. 10, 1906 to date. Formal declaration of intention to become a citizen of the U. S., showing alien's name, birthplace, nationality, and signature, signature of clerk of court, and seal. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 15 vols. (23), 4 ft., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (667)

102. PETITIONS FOR NATURALIZATION, Sept. 17, 1906 to date. Showing alien's name, age, occupation, personal description, birthplace, nationality, present residence, name of port of embarkation, name of vessel, marital status, name of spouse, birthplace, nationality, and residence of spouse, date and place of arrival in the U. S., signature of petitioner, signatures of two witnesses, and oaths before clerk; also attached letters from officials of the Bureau of Immigration. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 15 vols. (34), 19 ft., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (665)

103. NATURALIZATION DEPOSITIONS, Jan. 1, 1910 to date. Evidence taken in other districts on behalf of petitioners for naturalization, showing length of their residence in the U. S. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 10 folders, 1 ft. 4 in., in 3 steel folded document holders. Vault in R. 302. (607)

104. INDEX TO DECLARATIONS AND PETITIONS FOR NATURALIZATION, Sept. 10, 1906 to date. Giving name of applicant, vol. and page number of declaration record, and vol. and page number of petition record. Entered alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 14½ x 18 loose-leaf book, 2 in., on open steel shelf. R. 302. (666)

105. NATURALIZATION CORRESPONDENCE, Feb. 1, 1912 to date. With Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization, attorneys, and various individuals, mainly concerning requests for copies of naturalization records. Arranged alphabetically by name of alien. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 14 folders, 2 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 302. (608)

(Attorneys)

106. RECORD OF ATTORNEYS ADMITTED TO PRACTICE IN U. S. COURTS AT NORFOLK, VA. July 24, 1867 - Sept. 11, 1934. Showing names of attorneys admitted to Federal bar and their oaths. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 13 vols. (2), 2 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (941)

(Fiscal Accounts)

107. RECORD OF FEES AND EXPENSES RECEIVED FROM U. S. MARSHAL AND DEPOSITED BY CLERK, July 17, 1896 - Jan. 18, 1908. Showing date, title of case, and amount. Indexed. (Never.) 10½ x 16 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Binding broken. Vault in R. 302. (942)

108. REGISTRY DOCKET, Jan. 6, 1892 - June 20, 1903. Showing names of attorneys for both parties, style of case, amount received, date of disbursement, name of payee, and amount paid. Entered alphabetically. (Never.) 15 x 17 vol., 1½ in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (911)



109. CASH BOOKS, July 9, 1921 - Mar. 22, 1935. Showing cash received and disbursed, payer, payee, service, reference to docket, case number, clerk's fees and deposits therefor in cases other than bankruptcy, bankruptcy deposits, miscellaneous earnings, naturalization fees, and monthly recapitulations. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $14\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vols. (6), 7 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (660)

110. REGISTRY LEDGER, Jan. 6, 1892 - June 20, 1903. Showing names of attorneys, style of suit, date money received, amount deposited, amount paid, date, and payee; covers law, equity, admiralty, and bankruptcy cases. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 12 vol., 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (609)

111. REGISTRY LEDGER NO. 6, Jan. 11, 1926 to date. Showing docket number of case, names of parties, amount of funds deposited to credit of court, date, name of bank, date of decree to disburse funds, and date of disbursement by clerk; concerns wages of deceased or deserting seamen in admiralty and revenue cases. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x  $17\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. R. 306. (688)

112. CLERK'S BLOTTERS, Feb. 3, 1908 to date. Showing dates, names of parties making payments, nature of service, fees earned by clerk from individuals, corporations, and the U. S., and fees collected. Entered chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 13 and  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 vols., (18), 1 ft. 10 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (661)

(Miscellaneous)

113. AMNESTY OATHS, June 25 - Oct. 26, 1865. Oaths of allegiance by citizens of Norfolk, Portsmouth, and vicinity, renouncing allegiance to Confederacy and swearing fidelity to the U. S. Arranged chronologically and numerically. (Never.) 4 x 10 pockets (6), 10 in., on open steel shelf. Ink faded. Vault in R. 302. (644)

114. DISCHARGE OF SETH FOSTER, DISTRICT CLERK, Feb. 14, 1823. Document, signed by James Monroe, President, and John Quincy Adams, Secretary of State, ordering discharge of Seth Foster from imprisonment for debts due the U. S. which he is unable to pay. (Never.)  $10\frac{1}{4}$  x  $16\frac{1}{4}$  envelope,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel shelf. Torn, damaged by careless handling. Vault in R. 302. (619)

115. BANK ACCOUNT OF SETH FOSTER, DISTRICT CLERK, Nov. 11, 1817 - Nov. 1, 1825. Showing amounts deposited by district clerk to credit of court from sales of confiscated property in revenue and admiralty cases. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 8 x  $12\frac{3}{4}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water. Vault in R. 302. (944)

116. CERTIFICATES FOR AMNESTY OATHS, Jan. - Dec. 1865. Certificates issued to persons swearing allegiance to the U. S.; recalled and filed. Arranged chronologically. (Never.) 4 x 10 pocket, 1 in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, damaged by careless handling. Vault in R. 302. (603)



117. MISCELLANEOUS COURT PAPERS, Aug. 24, 1796 - Nov. 21, 1922. Accounts, cancelled bonds, vouchers, stipulations, subpoenas, warrants for arrest, sentences, mittimus, claims, oaths of allegiance, orders of court, etc. Arranged chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 pockets, 96 ft., in 16 drawers of steel filing cases. R. 433. (659)

(Correspondence)

118. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE, Jan. 1, 1932 to date. With Dept. of Justice, attorneys, and Government officials pertaining to official business. Arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 16 folders, 2 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 302. (652)

119. CORRESPONDENCE, Jan. 1, 1929 - Oct. 31, 1932. With attorneys, deputy clerks, etc. pertaining to official business. Arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 12 folders, 2 ft., in 2 drawers of steel filing case. R. 433. (651)

Probation and Parole Officer

Post Office and Courthouse Bldg., Granby St.

This office was established on October 15, 1932. Probationers and parolees submit written monthly reports to the probation and parole officer who supervises their behavior during the period of probation or parole. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on December 18, 1936.

120. PAROLE CASES, CLOSED, Oct. 15, 1932 to date. Parolee's progress report, admission summary, committee recommendation, correspondence with superintendent of penal institution, and notice of release from parole officer with attached photograph of parolee; records pertain to parolees whose terms have expired and who are no longer under custody of the court. Filed alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 12 folders, 2 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 347. (635)

121. PAROLE CASES, ACTIVE, Oct. 15, 1935 to date. Parolee's progress report, admission summary, committee recommendation, correspondence with superintendent of penal institution, and notice of release from parole officer with attached photograph of parolee. Filed alphabetically. (Frequently, official.) 9 x 12 folders, 1 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 347. (640)

122. POST INDEX, PAROLEES, Oct. 15, 1932 to date. Showing name of parolee, personal description, and beginning and ending dates of parole term. Entered alphabetically. (Frequently, official.) 9½ x 18½ vol., 1 in., on desk. R. 347. (639)



123. PROBATION CASES, CLOSED, Oct. 15, 1932 to date. Case papers including monthly reports of probationers to probation officer showing employment during month, days worked, earnings, expenses, savings, and efforts to improve habits and conduct. Arranged alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 12 folders, 2 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 347. (657)

124. PROBATION CASES, ACTIVE, May 1, 1933 to date. Case papers including monthly reports of probationers to probation officer, showing employment during month, days worked, earnings, expenses, savings, and efforts to improve habits and conduct. Filed alphabetically. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 12 folders, 3 ft., in 2 drawers of steel filing case. R. 347. (611)

125. POST INDEX, PROBATIONERS, Oct. 15, 1932 to date. Giving name of probationer, personal description, and beginning and ending dates of probation term. Entered alphabetically. (Frequently, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x  $18\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 in., on desk. R. 347. (646)

126. LEDGER, July 24, 1933 to date. Record of receipts and disbursements by the probation officer of earnings and other funds paid to probationers and parolees by order of court, showing date of collection of funds, reason for payment, form in which paid, name and address of person making payment, and total amount to be collected. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12 x 17 vol., 2 in., in drawer of wooden filing case. R. 347. (675)

127. RECEIPT BOOK, July 5, 1934 to date. Containing dated receipts for money paid by probationer as restitution for misdemeanor committed; duplicate receipt is issued to the probationer and to the clerk. (Frequently, official.) 8 x 9 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in wooden cabinet. R. 347. (658)

128. CASH BOOK, July 24, 1933 to date. Showing date, reason for payment, and amounts of receipts and disbursements. (Frequently, official.) 9 x 12 vol., 2 in., in wooden cabinet. R. 347. (647)

129. GENERAL FILES, Oct. 15, 1932 to date. Miscellaneous official records, including telephone bills, travel expense accounts, newspaper clippings, and correspondence with other probation officers. Arranged alphabetically. (Frequently, official.) 9 x 12 folders, 1 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 347. (649)

#### Referee in Bankruptcy

Post Office and Courthouse Bldg., Granby St.

This office was established about 1898. Bankruptcy cases are referred to the referee by court order, and the original papers of closed cases are



sent to the clerk of the district court at Norfolk for filing. The referee submits a semiannual report to the district judge. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on March 17, 1937.

130. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, Nov. 24, 1934 to date. Showing name of bankrupt, case number, amount of bond, amount of liability, date papers were received by referee, date of order of adjudication, amount deposited, names of attorneys, name of newspaper in which notice was published, date and cost of publication, and record of proceedings. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 vols. (2), 5 in., on steel filing cabinet. R. 305. (945)

131. BANKRUPTCY CASES, PENDING, Aug. 23, 1932 to date. Schedule order of adjudication, claims of creditors, petition, order and final report of trustee. Filed alphabetically. (Frequently, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 12 envelopes, 8 ft., in 4 drawers of steel filing case. R. 303. (655)

132. CASH BOOKS, Apr. 3, 1933 to date. Listing amount collected on assets in each bankruptcy case, amounts paid to creditors, and itemized costs of suit. Entered chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 7 x 10 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel filing cabinet. R. 305. (947)

133. COPIES OF EXPENSE ACCOUNTS, Feb. 1, 1934 to date. Semiannual statements itemizing costs and expenses incurred in each bankruptcy case. Arranged chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 8 x 12 folder,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in., on shelf in steel filing cabinet. R. 305. (946)

United States Commissioner  
Bank of Thomas Annex, 8 West Main St.

United States Commissioner  
Monticello Arcade Bldg., Plume St.

This office, established about 1793 under the circuit court, was placed under the district court at Norfolk on June 30, 1897. Closed cases from this office are filed with the clerk of the court. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on April 16, 1937.

134. CRIMINAL RECORD, Oct. 2, 1909 to date. Showing name of defendant, date of warrant or complaint, name of complainant, statute violated, date of approval by U. S. attorney, return of marshal on warrant, names of witnesses for the U. S., return of marshal on subpoenas for witnesses, whether case was dismissed for lack of evidence or sent to grand jury, and statement of costs. Entered chronologically. (Never.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 vols. (13), 1 ft. 1 in., on steel shelf in safe. R. 312. (960)



## NEWPORT NEWS

United States Commissioner  
 Commissioner's Residence, 89 31st. St.

This office was established about 1890. The present commissioner took charge of the office in 1930. All records of former commissioners have been sent to the office of the clerk of the district court at Norfolk. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on June 2, 1937.

135. U. S. COMMISSIONER'S DOCKET, June 30, 1930 to date. Showing district, names of plaintiff and defendant, itemized account of fees of commissioner, date, name of complainant, description of case, whether defendant was dismissed or sent to court for trial, list of witnesses, and name of surety or bondsman. Indexed. (Daily, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2} \times 14\frac{3}{4}$  vols. (3), 3 in., in bookcase. Office in residence. (1)

## PHOEBUS

United States Commissioner  
 Bank of Phoebus Annex, 8 West Mellen St.

This office was established on September 19, 1927. It is under the jurisdiction of the district court at Norfolk. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on June 5, 1937.

136. U. S. COMMISSIONER'S DOCKETS, Sept. 19, 1927 to date. Showing district, names of plaintiff and defendant, itemized account of fees of commissioner, name of complainant, description of complaint, date complaint was approved, name of person to whom warrant was issued, court proceedings, opinion, list of witnesses, and name of surety or bondsmen. Indexed. (Daily, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2} \times 14\frac{3}{4}$  vols. (3), 3 in., on desk. Law office. (1)



## ALEXANDRIA

Deputy Clerk

Custom House and Post Office Bldg.

Washington and Prince Sts.

The district court for "the Eastern District of Virginia," after the act of June 11, 1864, "the District of Virginia," sat at Alexandria during the War for Southern Independence when the Union Army occupied Alexandria and Norfolk and when Alexandria was the seat of the so-called "vest pocket" loyal government of Virginia (Confiscation Order Books, Alexandria, July 6, 1863 - May 29, 1866, filed at Richmond). It was ordered on Jan. 1, 1866, that the clerk's office for the U. S. District Court for the District of Virginia be removed from Alexandria to Richmond (Order book, No. 15, May 12, 1852 - Feb. 6, 1874, filed at Richmond). The court sat at Richmond for both the eastern and western sections of the State until 1871. An act of Feb. 3, 1871, divided the State of Virginia into eastern and western judicial districts and established the circuit and district courts at Alexandria. Since 1871 the city of Alexandria has constituted one of the three seats of the district court in the Eastern District of Virginia. It also continued to be the seat of the circuit court from 1871 until the circuit court was abolished by an act of March 3, 1911.

Some of the records were removed to Richmond. It is probable that some were sent to Washington, and it is possible that others were sent to Norfolk. If any records were removed to Norfolk, they were destroyed in the hurricane which swept Norfolk in 1933. The survey was completed on June 25, 1937.

## Old Circuit Court Records

137. ORDER BOOKS, Jan. 7, 1878 - Dec. 30, 1911. Orders entered in criminal, law, and chancery cases, showing title and number of case, names of parties, date order entered, proceedings, and final settlement of case. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 16 and 12 x 18 vols. (2), 3½ in., on floor in storage space above vault. Damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (6, 7)

138. GENERAL DOCKET, 1883 - 1901. Of law, equity, admiralty, and criminal cases on appeal, showing names of parties, kind of action, case number, and proceedings; types of cases segregated. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., ½ in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, binding broken, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (23)

139. LAW DOCKET, 1906. Record of law cases showing title of case, kind of action, names of parties, dates, and proceedings. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (29)



140. CIVIL DOCKET, Nov. 19, 1907 - Aug. 23, 1912. Showing number and title of case, names of parties and attorneys, accounts for plaintiff and defendant, filings, proceedings, dates, abstracts of costs, and remarks. Entered numerically. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 15 x 17 vol., 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (34)

#### District Court Records

(General)

141. CLERK'S MINUTE BOOKS, 1871; July 2, 1874 - July 5, 1899; July 1904 to date. Record of court proceedings and orders to be copied later into the regular court record books, showing title of case, names of parties, dates, proceedings, names of judge, attorneys, and clerk; the vol. dated 1871 - 1877 records a number of bankruptcy cases ordered removed to Danville, Va. (Older records, seldom; recent records, frequently, official.) Various sized vols. (6), 6 in., on floor in storage space above vault and on steel shelf. Older records dirty, ink faded, bindings broken, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (8, 19, 43, 54)

142. JUDGE'S DOCKET, 1912 - June 1930. Showing case number, kind of action, names of parties and attorneys, court proceedings, and dates. (Seldom, official.) 12½ x 18 vol., 1½ in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (36)

143. TRIAL DOCKET, July 1915 - June 1932. Showing case number, kind of action, names of parties and attorneys, court proceedings, and dates; this record has been replaced by the trial calendar. (Seldom, official.) 12½ x 18 vol., 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (37)

144. ORDER BOOKS, Oct. 10, 1873 - Dec. 31, 1912. Judge's orders in bankruptcy, equity, admiralty, law, and criminal cases, showing style, kind of action, names of parties, dates, and proceedings. (Seldom, official.) 14 x 18 and 12 x 18 vol., 4½ in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (10, 28)

145. ORDER BOOKS, Jan. 6, 1913 to date. Judge's orders in bankruptcy, admiralty, civil, and criminal cases, showing number and style of case, kind of action, dated court proceedings, and disposition of case. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12½ x 18 vols. (3) and 10½ x 11½ loose-leaf books (3), 1 ft. 10½ in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (40)

146. JUDGMENT DOCKETS, 1878 to date. Showing case number, names of parties, court in which judgment was obtained, date of judgment, amounts of interest and cost, date of docketing, date of payment, and remarks. Indexed. (Older records, seldom; recent records frequently, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 4 in., on steel roller shelf and on floor in storage space above vault. Older records damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (27, 38)

147. INDEX TO EQUITY, LAW, CRIMINAL, AND ADMIRALTY CASES, Nov. 24, 1868 - July 1, 1912. Separate sections for admiralty, common law,



equity, and criminal cases. Entered alphabetically. (Seldom, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 vol.,  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in., on steel shelf. R. 203. (60)

148. INITIAL AND FINAL CIVIL DOCKET REPORTS, 1934 to date. Initial report showing docket number, name of plaintiff, name of defendant, district, term of court, origin of case, basis of jurisdiction, where docketed, nature of suit or action, and date initial papers were filed; final report showing, in addition, disposition, statement concerning mistrial, application of outcome to plaintiff and defendant, time of dismissal or discontinuance, special reliefs, number of continuances, number of days spent in trial, settlement, total amount awarded, and date. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.) 4 x 6 cards,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in., in 2 drawers of steel card cabinet. R. 203. (55)

149. CIVIL DOCKETS, Jan. 2, 1909 to date. Showing number of case, names of parties and attorneys, accounts for plaintiff and defendant, filings, proceedings, dates, abstract of costs, and remarks. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) Various sized vols. (3), 6 in., on steel roller shelf. R. 203. (33)

150. LAW CASES, July 3, 1911 to date. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict, judgment, and bill of exceptions. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 15 and 8 x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  folders and bundles, 20 ft., in 7 drawers of steel filing cases. R. 203. (63)

151. EXHIBIT IN LAW CASE NO. 303, Dec. 13, 1935. One coil of galvanized wire filed in case of Griffith Consumers v. Follings; too bulky to be filed with case papers. (Seldom, official.) 30 in. coil in paper package, 1 in., in storage space above vault. R. 203. (71)

152. LAW CASES, Nov. 24, 1868 - Oct. 22, 1908. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict, judgment, and bill of exceptions. Have vol. index. (Seldom, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 envelopes, 2 ft. 6 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty, ink faded. R. 203. (65)

(Equity)

153. EQUITY ORDERS AND DOCKET NO. 1, Mar. 18, 1930 - July 31, 1936. Record of orders in equity cases giving case number, names of parties, court proceedings, and dates; also kind and date of action, and date for hearing. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $10\frac{1}{2}$  x  $11\frac{1}{2}$  loose-leaf book, 4 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (39)

154. EQUITY DOCKET, DISTRICT AND CIRCUIT COURTS, Oct. 1, 1907; May 23, 1913 to date. Showing number and title of case, names of parties and attorneys, accounts for plaintiff and defendant, filings, proceedings, date, costs, and remarks; contains only one page of the circuit court entries, pasted in, with notes of explanation. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $14\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vol., 2 in., on steel roller shelf. R. 203. (35)



155. EQUITY CASES, May 16, 1860 - Oct. 1, 1907. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibits of complainant and defendant, opinion, and decree. Filed chronologically. Have vol. index. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 14 envelopes, 12 ft. 6 in., in 5 drawers of steel filing cases. Brittle, dirty, torn, ink faded, damaged by vermin. R. 203. (64)

156. EQUITY CASES, May 23, 1913 to date. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibits of complainant and defendant, opinion, and decree. Filed numerically. 10 x 15 folders, 15 ft., in 6 drawers of steel filing cases. R. 203. (61)

157. CHANCERY AND LAW RULE BOOK, DISTRICT AND CIRCUIT COURTS, 1874 - 1901. Showing names of parties to suit, court proceedings, dates, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, and date of rules. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on floor in storage space above vault. Brittle, dirty, binding broken, ink faded, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (21)

158. EXHIBITS IN EQUITY CASES, May 3, 1869 - Aug. 22, 1904. Ledgers, notes, bills payable, invoices, blotters, journals, list of shareholders, canal estimate, and sundry papers; also minute, transfer, account, and cash books. Arranged numerically. (Seldom, official.) Various sized bundles, 4 ft., in storage space above vault. Brittle, dirty, torn, ink faded, damaged by vermin, rodents, and careless handling. R. 203. (70)

(Bankruptcy)

159. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, Oct. 22, 1867 - June 15, 1872. Showing case number, name and address of bankrupt, dated proceedings, names of attorneys, and name and address of register in bankruptcy. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 13 vols. (2), 1 in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, bindings broken, damaged by vermin. R. 203. (25)

160. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, Jan. 7, 1899 to date. Record of cases showing names of bankrupt, attorney, referee, and trustee, dated proceedings and filings, costs, and cash received and disbursed. Entered numerically. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $12\frac{1}{4}$  x 17 and  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vols. (3), 7 in., on steel roller shelf. R. 203. (30)

161. ORDER OF ADJUDICATION AND REFERENCE IN BANKRUPTCY, Dec. 11, 1931 - Mar. 25, 1937. Showing names of bankrupt, referee, and district judge, date petition filed, and date for appearance of bankrupt before referee. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $10\frac{1}{2}$  x  $16\frac{1}{4}$  vol.,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  in., on steel roller shelf. R. 203. (31)

162. BANKRUPTCY CASES, Jan. 7, 1899 to date. Petition, schedule, order of adjudication, notice to creditors, claims filed by creditors, petition to set aside homestead and poor debtor's exemption, orders appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale



of real and personal property, report of receiver or trustee, petition for discharge, and order of discharge. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 15 folders, 35 ft., in 14 drawers of steel filing cases. R. 203. (59)

163. RECORD OF BANKRUPTCY PETITIONS, 1872 - 1883. Showing case number, name and address of bankrupt, names of attorneys, proceedings, and date of filing of bankruptcy petition. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 12 vols. (2), 1 in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, damaged by vermin and careless handling, bindings broken. R. 203. (18)

164. REGISTER'S BANKRUPTCY RECORD, June 12, 1875 - Aug. 31, 1878. Showing case number, names of bankrupt and assignee, date fees are due, amount of fees, amount received by assignee, amount received by register, date of payment, fees, notations regarding fees and deposits, and notations regarding assignee's reports forwarded to Richmond. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 13 vol.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (49)

165. RECORD OF BONDS, 1899 - 1903. Bonds of referees and trustees in bankruptcy, showing amount of bond, date, principal, sureties, and oath. (Seldom, official.) 14 x 18 vol.,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in., on floor in storage space above vault. Damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (9)

(Admiralty)

166. ADMIRALTY CASES, Nov. 15, 1880 - Feb. 6, 1908. Libel, process, marshal's return, claim, stipulation, answer, testimony, exhibits for libellant and respondent, opinion, and decree. Have vol. index. Filed chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 14 envelopes, 9 ft., in 4 drawers of steel filing case. Brittle, ink faded, damaged by vermin. R. 203. (58)

(Special Civil Matters)

167. TAX LIEN DOCKET, June 17, 1921 to date. Showing title of case, charge, notice of tax lien, name and address of defendant, amount of tax assessed, signature of collector of internal revenue, and signature of clerk or deputy clerk. (Frequently, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 envelopes, 10 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 203. (14)

(Criminal)

168. CRIMINAL DOCKETS, July 2, 1912 - Apr. 5, 1937. Showing case number, names of parties, court proceedings, date, and costs. Entered numerically. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 13 x 17 vols. (4), 1 ft., on steel roller shelf. R. 203. (32)

169. CRIMINAL CASES, Jan. 5, 1872 - July 1, 1912. Transcript from U. S. commissioner, indictment or information, capias, testimony, exhibits, depositions, affidavits, judgment, sentence, and final commitment. Filed chronologically and numerically. Have vol. index. (Seldom, official.) 15 x 19 folders, 3 ft. 6 in., in 2 drawers of steel filing case. Brittle, dirty, ink faded, damaged by vermin. R. 203. (66)



170. INDICTMENTS IN CRIMINAL CASES, Oct. 12, 1918 to date. Transcript from U. S. commissioner, indictment or information, capias, testimony, exhibits, depositions, affidavits, judgment, sentence, and final commitment. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 15 folders and  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 bundles, 12 ft. 6 in., in 3 drawers of steel filing case. R. 203. (57)

171. U. S. ATTORNEY'S RECORD OF CRIMINAL AND REVENUE CASES, Jan. 15, 1885 - Jan. 7, 1903. Showing title of case, names of parties, proceedings, and amount of fees. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 14 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (15)

(United States Commissioner)

172. COMMISSIONER'S FEE AND DOCKET BOOKS, 1882 - 1897. Showing name of commissioner, service, amount of fee, date of service, and amount paid to witnesses. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 10 vols. (2), 1 in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, bindings broken, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (22)

173. COMMISSIONER'S CRIMINAL RECORDS, Mar. 5, 1892 - June 26, 1896; Oct. 1, 1919 - Dec. 21, 1922; Dec. 1, 1926 - Oct. 24, 1929. Listing names of parties, date, charge, and disposition of each criminal case heard before U. S. commissioner. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 vols. (3),  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (48)

174. TRAFFIC CASES FROM COMMISSIONERS, Mar. 1, 1935 - Mar. 30, 1937. Record showing case number, amount received, amount disbursed, commissioner's transcript of proceedings, and date filed. (Frequently, official.)  $9\frac{3}{4}$  x  $11\frac{1}{2}$  loose-leaf book,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel roller shelf. R. 203. (41)

175. COMMISSIONER'S WITNESS ATTENDANCE BOOKS, July 1, 1889 - July 7, 1890. Listing each witness, date of service, and costs for mileage and attendance. (Seldom, official.) 7 x  $16\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (2), 1 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (47)

(Naturalization)

176. NATURALIZATION PETITIONS, Dec. 10, 1909 to date. Showing name, address, and description of petitioner, date and place of entry into the U. S., native country, age, and occupation, length of residence in various places, witnesses, renouncement of allegiance to foreign power, and oath of allegiance to the U. S. Entered numerically. (Frequently, official.) Various sized loose-leaf books (3) and vols. (3), 7 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (62)

177. SOLDIERS' NATURALIZATION PETITIONS, UNDER ACT OF MAY 9, 1918, 1918 - 1920. Showing name, age, and nationality, and description of petitioner, date and port of entry, occupation, renouncement of allegiance to foreign power, and oath of allegiance to the U. S. No declaration



of intention was filed, and less information is given than is usually found in petitions. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18½ vols. (7), 1 ft. 3 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (45)

178. DECLARATIONS OF INTENTION, Nov. 15, 1911 to date. Showing name and address of declarant, date of immigration, native country, port of landing, history and description of declarant, and declaration of willingness to renounce foreign allegiance and take oath of allegiance to the U. S. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 12 and 8 x 14 vols. (5), 3 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (56)

179. DEPOSITIONS IN NATURALIZATION CASES, Feb. 28, 1920 to date. Showing case number; date; name, occupation, and address of deponent; date filed; statement to establish character and residence of petitioner for naturalization; and name of naturalization examiner before whom deposition was taken. (Frequently, official.) 4½ x 8 envelopes, 10 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 203. (53)

180. STUBS OF NATURALIZATION CERTIFICATES, 1910 to date. Showing name, residence, and birthplace of certificate holder, port and date of entry, and date certificate issued. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 10 stub books (52), 2 ft., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (44)

(Attorneys)

181. ROLL OF ATTORNEYS ADMITTED TO PRACTICE, Jan. 24, 1872 to date. Showing name and address of each attorney admitted to practice before this court and date admitted. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 13½ and 10 x 12 vols. (2), 1½ in., in drawer of desk. R. 203. (46)

(Fiscal Accounts)

182. CLERK'S BLOTTER, 1887. Showing service rendered by clerk, fee, date, kind of action, and parties. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 10 vol., ½ in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, binding broken, damaged by vermin, rodents, and careless handling. R. 203. (24)

183. FEE BOOK, DISTRICT AND CIRCUIT COURTS, July 11, 1882 - Dec. 12, 1894. Showing fees earned by court officials, dates, names of parties, titles of cases, case numbers, papers filed, and kinds of action. (Seldom, official.) 7½ x 8 vol., ½ in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (26)

184. CASH BOOKS, Jan. 2, 1909 to date. Clerk's record of all cash earned, received, and disbursed by his office, showing amount, date, and purpose of each item. (Frequently, official.) 15 x 16 and 15 x 17 vols. (2), 3½ in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (50)

185. REGISTRY LEDGER, Feb. 2, 1924 to date. Record of amounts kept by court for its disposal, showing date, title of case, amounts received and disbursed, and explanatory notes. (Frequently, official.) 8½ x 13 vol., 1 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (51)



186. LEDGER, 1899 - 1904. Contains accounts of officials and persons having business with court, showing names, dates, and amounts. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 14 vol.,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (11)

187. BANK STATEMENTS, CANCELLED CHECKS, TRUST FUND DISBURSEMENT VOUCHERS, 1929 to date. Cancelled checks show number of check, bank on which drawn, date, signature of indorser, stamp of bank giving date paid, and stamp cancelling check; bank statements show name of bank, title of clerk's account, date, list of checks with check number, date drawn, and amount, amounts of deposits, dates, and balance; trust fund disbursement vouchers dealing with funds held in trust by court show place, date issued, appropriation, item, and docket numbers, name and address of payee, purpose of payment, amount, number of check drawn on the Treasurer of the U. S., and total amount paid. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 15 folders and 3 x 8 bundles, 2 ft., in 2 drawers of steel filing case. R. 203. (16)

188. POWER OF ATTORNEY, ETC., 1898 to date. Powers of attorney, bonds, appointments, oaths of office, official bonds, and reports. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 bundles and loose papers, 2 ft., in 8 steel folded document holders. Vault in R. 203. (52)

(Miscellaneous)

189. CONFISCATION CASES, Aug. 27, 1863 - June 29, 1865. Libel of information, notice of seizure and libel, time and place of trial, orders of seizure, and order for process. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 8 bundles, 7 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. Brittle, ink faded, damaged by vermin. R. 203. (69)

190. REPORT ON LIQUOR DISTILLED AND SOLD AT WHOLESALE, May 22, 1874 - Feb. 8, 1875. Report on liquor business of M. and E. Myers of Petersburg, Va., showing number of gallons distilled, kind of liquor, name of Government inspector, date inspected, proof, serial number and kind of stamp, name of person receiving liquor, whether sold or consigned, date, and amount. (Seldom, official.) 18 x 24 bundle,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (4)

191. TOBACCO INSPECTION REPORT, 1809. Compiled by committee appointed to superintend tobacco inspection; seems to pertain to adjustment in price paid per pound for tobacco the previous season. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 loose sheet, in storage space above vault. Almost illegible, brittle, dirty, torn, ink faded, damaged by water, vermin, and careless handling. R. 203. (68)

192. MISCELLANEOUS FILE, 1803 - 1914. Commissioner's quarterly accounts, receipts for money paid witnesses, sundry bonds, clerk's accounts, sale bills of auctions, and letters to clerk. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 loose sheets, 4 ft., in storage space above vault. Brittle, dirty, torn, scattered, ink faded, damaged by water, vermin, rodents, careless handling, and on account of faulty containers. R. 203. (67)



193. INDENTURES, 1803, 1809, 1815. Transfers of real estate to a citizen of Alexandria, D. C. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 envelopes,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in storage space above vault. Brittle, dirty, torn, ink faded, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (72)

194. RULES, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, May 21, 1880. Printed court rules adopted by judges under power conferred by revised statutes, sections 915, 916, and 918; contain 35 sections, with two addenda entries. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 6 booklet,  $\frac{1}{8}$  in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, torn, damaged by careless handling. R. 203. (1)

195. INTERNAL REVENUE ACCOUNTS, Aug. 30, 1877. Copy of supplemental report No. 13,009 of fifth auditor of Treasury, on the account of Thomas L. Lanborn, late collector and disbursing agent for the 7th District of Va. under official bonds dated May 23, 1866, and Mar. 11, 1869; admitted and certified by the comptroller. Report gives statement of discrepancies found in the account. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 rolled, tied papers,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, torn, ink faded, damaged by careless handling and on account of faulty containers. R. 203. (2)

196. TIME BOOK OF U. S. MARSHAL, July 1882 - Mar. 1899. Listing names of deputies and days of service of each, total number of days of service of deputies, wage of each per day and amount paid each, total amount paid deputies, and dates of court terms. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 16 vol., 2 in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, binding broken, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (13)

197. CERTIFICATES OF INSPECTION OF VESSELS, 1890 - 1907. Showing name of steamer, place and date of construction, specifications, condition of vessel and equipment, usage, personnel, date and place of inspection, and name of inspector. (Seldom, official.) 19 x 24 bundle,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, ink faded, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 203. (17)

198. PAPERS CONCERNING SAMPSON P. BAYLY, 1884. Include bond, dated Oct. 1876, of Sampson P. Bayly as U. S. Consul at Palermo, Italy; his financial reports showing his indebtedness to the U. S. to the sum of \$1470.36; letter from Henry S. Neals, Solicitor of the Treasury, to E. Waddill, Jr., U. S. attorney at Richmond, Va., instructing him "to commence suit at once and press it vigorously to trial"; also later letter showing that the amount had been reduced to \$846.66 and repeating the instructions to Mr. Waddill relative to the suit. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 rolled, tied sheets,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on floor in storage space above vault. Dirty, ink faded, damaged by careless handling. R. 203. (3)

(Correspondence)

199. CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE, 1913 - 1926. With attorneys, court and treasury officials, and individuals pertaining to official business. (Seldom, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 bundles, 4 ft., on floor in storage space above vault. R. 203. (20)



200. CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS, 1929 to date. Correspondence with other clerks, attorneys, U. S. attorneys, judges, and individuals, pertaining to requests for information regarding cases; also financial reports from deputy clerks, grand jurors, and commissioners; naturalization reports; and appointments and commissions. Filed alphabetically. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 15 folders, 12 ft., in 6 drawers of steel filing cases. R. 203. (42)

The Courts of the District of Columbia  
for  
Alexandria County

The records of these courts accumulated when Alexandria County formed a part of the District of Columbia (1801-1846). They came into the custody of the State of Virginia after the Federal Government retroceded to Virginia, in 1846, the territory out of which Alexandria County had been formed. The General Assembly of Virginia by an act of December 3, 1789, had ceded this territory "to the United States in Congress assembled for the permanent seat of government." When the retrocession took effect, the courts which had been created for the county of Alexandria ceased to function.

The territory of the District of Columbia was divided by an act of February 27, 1801, into the county of Alexandria comprising all that part which lay west of the river, ceded by Virginia, and the county of Washington comprising all that part which lay east of the river, ceded by Maryland. Since the local governments of Virginia and Maryland could not function indefinitely in Federal territory, the act of February 27, 1801, also established a county court system for the two counties. This included a court to be called the circuit court of the District of Columbia which should annually hold four sessions in each county and have power to appoint a clerk of the court in each county. Sessions for Alexandria County were held in the city of Alexandria. The court was given cognizance of all law, equity, admiralty, and criminal cases for the county of Alexandria provided that all local actions should be begun in the county and that no action or suit should be brought before the court by any original process against any person "who shall not be an inhabitant of or found within said district at the time of serving the writ." In addition, the act provided for the appointment of a marshal and a district attorney, and for the appointment in each of the counties of "discreet persons to be justices of the peace," who should have cognizance in personal demands to the value of \$20.00 exclusive of costs, of a register of wills, and of a judge to be called the judge of the orphan's court. Appeals from the orphan's court lay to the circuit court. Appeals from the circuit court for the county of Alexandria which exceeded the value of \$100 (later, by act of April 2, 1816, raised to \$1000) exclusive of costs lay to the Supreme Court of the United States. A prior act, dated February 13, 1801, established a district court in the city of Alexandria for a district composed of the territory of Columbia and sections of Virginia and Maryland to be called the district



of Potomac. This act was repealed by an act dated March 8, 1802, which was to take effect after June 30, 1802. Meanwhile an act of April 29, 1802, established a district court for the District of Columbia over which the chief judge of the District of Columbia should preside. An act of July 7, 1838, established a criminal court in the District of Columbia. This court held two terms in each year in Alexandria for the county of Alexandria. It was given "all the jurisdiction" in Alexandria County previously held by the circuit court for Alexandria County "for the trial and punishment of all crimes and offences and all fines, forfeitures, and recognizances."

It is probable that some of these obsolete records were sent to Washington. Those which remain in Virginia are in three different places: at least one file is in the custody of the deputy clerk of the district court, Alexandria; deed and will books are filed in the city hall, Alexandria; the remainder of the records are filed at Arlington County Courthouse, Arlington. The survey was completed on April 4, 1938.

Filed at City Hall, Royal St., Alexandria

Circuit Court

201. DEED BOOKS, 1801 - 1846. Showing deeds, deeds of trust, and liens recorded and certified by the clerk. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (59), 14 ft. 9 in., on open steel roller shelves. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. 1st floor, NE. (73)

Orphan's Court

202. WILL BOOKS, Apr. 21, 1800 - Apr. 5, 1821; Mar. 8, 1831 - July 5, 1842. Into which are copied original wills, showing date of will, name of testator, names of heirs, property bequeathed to each heir, and names of administrators. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 10½ x 18 vols. (6), 1 ft. 9 in., on open steel roller shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. 1st floor, NE. (74)

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District and Circuit Courts

203. INDEX TO JUDGMENTS, CIRCUIT COURT, Jan. 1801 - Oct. 14, 1846. Showing names of persons against whom judgments were rendered. Entered alphabetically and chronologically by court session. (Seldom, official.) 15 x 18 vols. (2), 10 in., on 2 open steel roller shelves. Dirty, bindings broken. R. 101. (59)

204. INDEX TO GENERAL JUDGMENTS, Apr. 1814 - 1846. Showing names of persons against whom judgments were rendered. Entered alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on open steel roller shelf. Dirty. R. 101. (58)

205. CASES, 1843 - 1846. Pleas, appeals, and evidence introduced in suits for judgments; names of plaintiff and defendant, judgment, date grant-



ed, and costs. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 pockets, 10 ft. 6 in., in 7 steel folded document holders. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. R. 101. (60)

206. EXECUTION DOCKETS, Mar. 26, 1801 - Mar. 12, 1846. Showing date, names of plaintiff and defendant, amount of debt, amount of costs, date execution was directed, when returnable, by whom ordered, and marshal's return; vols. A-F. Indexed alphabetically by name of plaintiff. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 17 vols. (6), 1 ft.  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on 6 open steel roller shelves. Dirty, bindings broken, damaged by careless handling. R. 101. (67)

207. EXECUTION DOCKETS, 1820 - 1838. Showing names of parties and attorneys, dates of judgment and execution, costs, date to be returned, to whom delivered, when returned, and marshal's return. Indexed alphabetically by name of defendant. (Seldom, official.) 7 x 12 vol.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (93)

208. CONSTABLE'S EXECUTION BOOK, 1819 - 1821. Showing date of execution, names of plaintiff and defendant, amount of debt, costs, names of magistrate and constable, date of marshal's return, officer to whom execution was delivered, return, and remarks. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 15 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (79)

209. APPEARANCE DOCKET, Apr. 1828 - Apr. 1831. Showing names of plaintiff and defendant, cause of action, damages awarded, and remarks by clerk. (Seldom, official.) 7 x 12 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (90)

210. DOCKET OF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, Jan. 21, 1831 - Sept. 17, 1832; Jan. 2, 1836 - Sept. 6, 1837; Jan. 3 - Apr. 16, 1841; Mar. 12, 1846 - Feb. 19, 1847. Showing case number, date papers filed, names of plaintiff, defendant, and officer, amount of debt, costs, magistrate's fee, and amount of judgment and security. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 10 vols. (4),  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (77)

211. MAGISTRATE'S DOCKET, July 1839 - Aug. 1842. Showing date, name of constable, names of plaintiff and defendant, amount of debt, amount of judgments in superseding executions, date of return of execution, and name of officer making return. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 13 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (88)

212. RULE DOCKETS, Apr. 1801 - 1816; Apr. 1820 - 1846. Showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, cause of action, type of case, orders entered at different rules, and final disposition of case; covers law and equity cases; vols. A-E, G-I, K, and L. Entered alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 11 x  $19\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (10), 2 ft. 6 in., on 10 open steel roller shelves. Brittle, dirty, bindings broken. R. 101. (64)

213. ADMIRALTY RULE DOCKET, Apr. 1807 - Dec. 1846. Showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, case number, cause of action, marshal's return, orders entered at different rules, and final disposition of case; the vol. is entitled "Common Law References and Admiralty Causes to April Court 1810 District Court, District of Columbia". (Seldom, official.)



10 x 15 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (61)

214. WITNESS DOCKET, Apr. 1810 - Oct. 1836. Showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and witnesses, address of each witness, person summoning witness, number of days served, mileage, ferriage, and amounts paid for service, mileage, and ferriage. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 15 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (89)

215. TRIAL DOCKETS, CIRCUIT COURT, 1801 - 1802; 1805 - 1846. Showing case number, names of parties, attorneys, and witnesses, and pleas, motions, orders, and judgments; cover criminal, law, and chancery causes. Indexed alphabetically by name of plaintiff. (Seldom, official.) 13 x 18 vols. (75), 4 ft. 8 in., on floor. Brittle, dirty, ink faded, bindings broken. Basement. (85)

216. TRIAL DOCKETS, June 1805 - 1815. Showing date, case number, names of plaintiff, defendant, attorney, and witnesses, kind of action, pleas, and orders. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (4), 4 in., on open steel roller shelves. Dirty. R. 101. (63)

217. TRIAL DOCKET, Apr. 1805 - June 1823. Showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys; and pleas and orders. (Seldom, official.)  $6\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (95)

218. TRIAL DOCKET, Dec. 1823 - June 1833. Showing case number, names of parties, attorneys, and witnesses, cause of action, record of pleas, motions entered, appearance bail, special bail, and orders. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 15 vol., 1 in., on floor. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (82)

219. WITNESS DOCKET, May 1837 - 1846. Showing names and addresses of witnesses appearing before court, names of persons for whom appearing, number of miles traveled, ferriage, toll, and amount paid. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 3 in., on open steel roller shelf. Dirty. R. 101. (68)

220. CLERK'S MINUTE BOOKS, Apr. 13, 1801 - June 10, 1843. Containing notes on court proceedings in cases of all kinds, giving date, style, and disposition of suits; used by clerk when writing orders in the order book. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 15 vols. (21), 6 ft.  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on 21 open steel roller shelves. R. 101. (62)

221. MINUTE BOOK, Oct. 1843 - Oct. 1846. Listing hearings before circuit court of the District of Columbia held for Alexandria County; the court recorded deeds, tried equity cases, naturalized foreigners, and ordered survey in land disputes; the minutes of the last session of court contain farewell speeches of attorneys and judge. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 15 vol.,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (87)



222. FIDUCIARY ACCOUNT BOOKS, Nov. 23, 1809 - 1846. Showing accountings made to court by administrators, committees, and guardians for estates over which they had jurisdiction. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 17 vols. (9), 2 ft., on open steel roller shelves. Dirty. R. 101. (66)

223. WARD BOOK, 1843 - 1846. Record of taxes assessed showing date of payment; apparently applies to personal property only. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 7 x 16 vol., 1½ in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (83)

224. ORDER BOOKS, Nos. 1-21, Apr. 1801 - Apr. 1827. Showing names of judges, names and appointments of officers of court and of attorneys qualified, panel of juries, list of deeds acknowledged and recorded, orders, and costs. Entered alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (21), 5 ft. 3 in., on 21 open steel roller shelves. Dirty. R. 101. (100)

225. BANKRUPTCY DOCKET, 1802 - 1803. Showing names of judge and bankrupt, creditor's petition, name and oath of bondsman, appointment of commission and of assignee, findings of commission, record of advertisement, and settlement of case and discharge of bankrupt. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 10½ x 16 vol., ½ in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (34)

226. INSOLVENT DEBTORS' SCHEDULE, Mar. 10, 1802 - 1846. Showing names of bankrupt, clerk, and judge, relief prayed for, copy of act of Congress, list of assets and liabilities, list of debtors and creditors, debts, and name of trustee, date of appointment and amount of bond of trustee, oath of insolvent debtor, assignment of property under trustee, and discharge of insolvent debtor when relieved of further liability. Entered alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 16 vols. (6), 1 ft. 3 in., on 6 open steel roller shelves. Dirty. R. 101. (71)

227. BOND BOOKS, May 14, 1802 - Oct. 31, 1846. Printed bonds filled in with date, amount of bond, name of party bonded, name of bondsman, and signature of official in whose presence bond was signed, sealed, and delivered. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 9½ vols. (6), 6 in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (99)

228. FEE BOOKS, 1801 - 1844. Showing name of party paying fee, for what paid, date fee earned, itemized account, and total amount paid. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 7 x 16 vols. (38), 4 ft., 4 in., on floor. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (86)

229. CONSTABLE'S FEE BOOK, Oct. 25, 1830 - Dec. 26, 1831. Showing date of warrant, names of plaintiff, defendant, and witnesses, witnesses' fees, constable's fee, action, place, judgment, execution, and remarks. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 10 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (81)

230. COMPLETE RECORD OF CASES, Apr. 13, 1801 - 1829. Showing names of parties to suit, attorneys, and jurors, cause of action, evidence, record of hearing, orders, and final disposition of case; majority of



cases pertain to suits for debt, suits on bills of exchange, and suits for breach of contracts regarding charters for shipping; vols. B-J and L-P. Vol. A, for 1786 - 1800, "Court of Hustings for the town of Alexandria", is filed with this series but is not a Federal record since it was written when the area was under Virginia's jurisdiction. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11½ x 17 vols. (14), 3 ft, 6 in., on 14 open steel roller shelves. Dirty. R. 101. (69)

231. COPYRIGHTS SECURED, Sept. 2, 1803 - June 2, 1845. Showing name of author or painter, title copyrighted, date recorded, and clerk's seal and signature; covers granting of copyrights to persons for original writings, plots, and paintings. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 15½ vol., 1½ in., on open steel roller shelf. Dirty. R. 101. (72)

232. ESTRAY A, Mar. 11, 1822 - 1846. Showing names of persons reporting stray animals trespassing on their property, date of report, description of animal, record of appraisal by court, names of appraisers, date of appraisal, and description and evaluation of animal. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 15 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (76)

233. MARRIAGE LICENSE, 1801 - 1846. Marriage license and minister's report, showing names of persons married, bond regarding legality of marriage, name of bondsman, amount of bond, and clerk's signature. (Seldom, official.) 4½ x 8 pockets, 4 ft., in 3 steel folded document holders. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. R. 101. (74)

234. RECORD OF MINISTERS' CERTIFICATES, Apr. 1, 1801 - 1846. Showing date, names of parties married, and by whom married. Volume entitled, "A list of certificates returned of solemnization of marriages in the County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia, from the first day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and one". Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 9½ x 15 vol., 1½ in., on open steel roller shelf. Dirty, binding broken. R. 101. (75)

235. LAND SUITS, VOLUME A, June 2, 1834 - Apr. 9, 1843. Record of suits regarding land partition, recovery, or possession, showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, kind of action, orders entered, costs, and settlement of suit. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 12 vol., 1½ in., on open steel roller shelf. Dirty, ink faded. R. 101. (70)

236. REGISTER OF FREE BLACKS, LIBRI A AND B, May 27, 1779 - June 8, 1847. Record of free Negroes, who, for their own protection, have registered before the court, giving name and description of Negro, date registered, record of labor agreements when Negro bound self out to service, and accounting before the court of property given or left to free Negroes; in some cases a master made a deposition stating that when certain requirements were fulfilled he would free a certain slave. Entries prior to May 11, 1802, are not Federal records. Entered numerically. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 15½ vols. (2), 1½ in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (78)



237. WILLS, Feb. 14, 1805 - Oct. 1846. Probated wills, each in a card-board pocket on which is written name of deceased person, date will was probated, and number and page of will book in which record of probate is kept. Will books into which these wills were copied are in the custody of the hustings court, City Hall, Alexandria, Va. Filed chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 pockets, 4 ft., in 3 steel folded document holders. Brittle, torn, ink faded. R. 101. (73)

238. WRITS ISSUED, May 1809 - Oct. 1831. Showing name of person furnishing security for costs, date costs paid, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, number of writs issued, action, and indorsement on writ. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 13 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (97)

#### Criminal Court

239. CRIMINAL DOCKET, Nov. 1834 - Nov. 1844. Giving case number, names of plaintiff, defendant, attorneys, witnesses, and members of grand jury, grand jury return, nature of offense, and orders. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 15 vol.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty. Basement. (96)

240. CRIMINAL DOCKET, Apr. 1845 - Apr. 1846. Giving names of grand jury members, parties, attorneys, and witnesses, date of indictment, grand jury return, type of offense, and orders. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel roller shelf. Dirty. R. 101 (65)

241. CRIMINAL MINUTE BOOK, Nov. 1838 - Nov. 1846. Showing appointment of officers, names of attorneys admitted to practice, grand jury returns, court orders, and farewell speech to attorneys of Alexandria County by judge of the District of Columbia on Nov. 20, 1846. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 17 vol., 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (94)

#### Levy Court

242. LEVY COURT MINUTES, Apr. 3, 1801 - Feb. 1827. Showing names of justices, date commissioned, date qualified before circuit court, and date commission expired. The levy court was established to appraise and set a valuation on property in Alexandria, District of Columbia, so that taxes could be collected to build a jail and courthouse. These minutes were poorly kept and give little information as to activities of the court. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (80)

243. LEVY COURT LEDGER, Nov. 13, 1815 - June 16, 1846. First page entitled, "Alexandria County in account with Levy Court of said county"; contains account of money paid out for services to the court and account of money paid into the court by the marshal. An item on page 1, dated Nov. 13, 1815, reads: "To cash, George Deneale, Clerk, for removing Public Records of County Orphan's Court, out of the County on an invasion by the enemy in 1814, \$65.03". (Seldom, official.) 10 x 15 vol., 1 $\frac{1}{4}$  in., on open steel shelf. Dirty, ink faded, brittle. Basement. (98)



## Orphan's Court

244. APPRENTICE BOOKS, LIBRI A AND C, May 4, 1802 - Dec. 13, 1803; May 14, 1811 - Oct. 15, 1817. Showing agreements between parents or guardians of apprentices and their masters, recorded before orphan's court; in case of orphans the consent of court had to be obtained and recorded. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 13 vols. (2), 2 in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (92)

245. MINUTES, Feb. 1822 - Dec. 1829; June 7, 1830 - Sept. 16, 1834. Activities of orphan's court in order of case hearing, showing appointment of guardians, administrators, and executors, accounting of management of estates, and binding orphans as apprentices. (Seldom, official.) 13 x 18 vols. (2), 2 in., on open steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Basement. (91)

## RICHMOND

Deputy Clerk

Post Office Bldg., 10th and Main Sts.

By the Judiciary Act of 1789, Congress ordered that a district judge hold a district court at Richmond on the third Tuesday in December 1789. This court sat regularly in Richmond until its adjournment on March 8, 1861. It was succeeded by the Confederate States District Court for the District of Eastern Virginia which began its first term on June 12, 1861. This court sat for the last time on March 30, 1865. On July 19, 1865, a U. S. district court began at Richmond a series of trials of confiscation cases which dealt chiefly with property of citizens of Richmond. On Jan. 1, 1866, Judge John C. Underwood ordered that the clerk's office for the District Court, District of Virginia, be removed from Alexandria to Richmond. Henceforth a district court was held at Richmond for both eastern and western sections of the state until an act of February 3, 1871 redivided Virginia into eastern and western judicial districts. Since 1871 Richmond has constituted one of three seats of the court for the eastern District of Virginia. It was also the seat for many years of the circuit court until the circuit court was abolished by an act of March 3, 1911.

Many records, including all Confederate States district court records except the court order book, June 12, 1861 - March 30, 1865, are missing. No records were known to have been destroyed, and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on May 7, 1937.

## Old Circuit Court Records

(General)

246. RULE BOOK, Nov. 27, 1790 - Oct. 6, 1854. Calendar of bills, amended bills, pleas, and answers filed at rules, showing names of



attorneys for both parties and style of suit; used by clerk to show proceedings in office and when case set for trial. (Seldom, official.)  $14\frac{1}{2}$  x 19 vols. (5), 1 ft., on 5 steel shelves. Vault in R. 339. (125)

247. COURT DOCKET, May 1819 - May 1828. Showing kind and number of suit, names of parties, and decree in each case. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 15 vol., 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (127)

248. ENDED CAUSES, June 9, 1790 - Jan. 22, 1867. Bonds, capiases, judgments, accounts, depositions, notices of appeal, exhibits, subpoenas in chancery, copies of deeds, bills in chancery, and indictments. Filed chronologically. Have vol. index. (Seldom, public.) 5 x 9 bundles, 75 ft., in 62 steel and wooden folded document holders. Scattered, dirty, brittle. R. 339. (121)

249. INDEX TO ENDED CAUSES, 1790 - 1861. Showing names of plaintiff and defendant, kind of action, reference to record book and page number, and date case was closed; covers chancery, civil, and criminal cases. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vol., 3 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (143)

250. JUDGE'S COURT DOCKETS, June 7, 1865 - Mar. 24, 1869. Showing number of case, names of parties and attorneys, kind of action, kind of process, when issued, when returned, marshal's return, and court order. (Seldom, official, public.) 12 x 18 vols. (6), 9 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (128)

251. RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS, Oct. 3, 1871 - May 27, 1879. Showing number and style of case, kind of action, report on indictment by jury, list of witnesses, return of marshal, date of hearing, and disposition of case. Indexed alphabetically by name of defendant. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x  $18\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (5), 6 in., on 2 steel shelves. Bindings broken. Vault in R. 339. (129)

252. CIVIL DOCKET, Apr. 5, 1894 - June 25, 1896. Record of chancery and admiralty cases at Norfolk, Alexandria, and Richmond, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, disposition of case, monition and notice, reference to another court, etc. (Never.) 9 x 14 vol.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. R. 28. (130)

253. OFFICE DOCKETS, Jan. 9, 1866 - Aug. 31, 1907. Showing number of suit, names of parties and attorneys, kind of action, kind of process and to whom delivered, when issued, and when and how returned. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 3 in., on 2 steel shelves. Bindings broken. Vault in R. 339. (131)

254. RECORD OF BONDS, July 18, 1898 - Dec. 20, 1904. Copied bonds showing style of case, names of principal and surety, amount, date and condition of bond, and copied powers of attorney authorizing persons to execute bonds and stating requirements under which bonds are to be executed; these bonds are injunction, receivers', and commissioners'



bonds in equity. Indexed alphabetically by name of plaintiff. (Seldom, official.) 14 x 18 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (120)

255. EXECUTION BOOKS, June 10, 1791 - Feb. 24, 1805. Showing names of parties, date of judgment, amount, date on which interest begins, cost, date of fieri facias, nature of return, name and return of marshal, and itemized accounts of charges of clerk, attorney, and marshal. Indexed alphabetically by name of defendant. (Seldom, official.) 9 x  $13\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (2), 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (132)

256. CLERK'S CONFISCATION DOCKET, ALEXANDRIA, Sept. 9, 1864 - July 25, 1865. Record of confiscation, showing case number, names of parties, list and description of property to be seized, kind of process, when issued and returned, and orders of court. (Never.) 12 x  $17\frac{3}{4}$  vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 39. Binding broken, damaged by vermin. R. 28. (223)

257. JUDGMENT DOCKET, Dec. 20, 1866 - May 25, 1911. Record of law and equity cases giving number of judgment, names of parties, kind of action, names of attorneys, date judgment rendered, damages, costs, kind of process, date issued, when returnable, marshal's return, and when and how judgment was satisfied; also includes judgments against defendants in criminal cases for fines, costs, and forfeited recognizances. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 3 in., on steel shelf. Binding broken. Vault in R. 339. (133)

258. CLERK'S MINUTE BOOK, Nov. 22, 1869 - June 24, 1871. Record of proceedings in law, criminal, and equity cases; used by clerk when writing orders of court. (Never.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x  $13\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $\frac{3}{4}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Binding broken, damaged by vermin. R. 28. (135)

259. ORDER BOOKS, May 22, 1790 - June 13, 1831. Record of court proceedings showing order of court, style of suit, names of plaintiff and defendant, account of settlement, disposition of case, and time and place of holding court. Indexed alphabetically by name of defendant. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 17 vols. (12), 3 ft., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (136)

260. ORDER BOOK, LEXINGTON, Apr. 6, 1801 - 1802. Record of court orders in cases of debt and ejection. This book is wrapped in the bundle containing papers in the case of Aaron Burr. (Seldom, official.) 6 x 10 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in bundle in drawer of steel filing case. Brittle, ink faded. Vault in R. 339. (137)

261. FINAL RECORD A, Apr. 11, 1904 - Dec. 16, 1911. Showing number and style of case, kind of action, report on indictment by jury, list of witnesses, proceedings, disposition of case, etc. Indexed alphabetically by name of defendant. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x  $18\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (138)

262. LAW RULE BOOK A, 1866 - 1899. A calendar showing number of suit, names of parties and attorneys, kind of action, return on process, and



proceedings at rules. (Never.) 15 x 20 $\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Binding broken, damaged by vermin. R. 28. (113)

263. COMMON LAW COURT DOCKETS, 1873 - 1911. Showing term of court, names of attorneys, case number, names of parties, kind of action, and court proceedings. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 3 in., on closed steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (114)

264. COMMON LAW CASES, Jan. 9, 1865 - Aug. 31, 1878. Records showing name of plaintiff, cause of action, date defendant appeared, motion, dismissal, bond for cost, pleas, and final order of dismissal. Filed numerically. (Never.) 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  envelopes and bundles, 7 ft., in closed wooden box No. 33. Damaged by fire, water, vermin, rodents, and on account of faulty containers, dirty, scattered. R. 28. (155)

265. COURT RECORD, May 7, 1866 - Dec. 30, 1911. Record of court orders in criminal, law, and bankruptcy cases, and orders summoning juries. Vols. A-L; K and L entitled, Order Book. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (12), 3 ft., on 3 steel shelves. Vault in R. 339. (115)

(Equity)

266. CHANCERY RULE BOOK A, May 1866 - Dec. 1900. A calendar showing number of suit, names of parties and attorneys, and return on process. Entered numerically. (Never.) 18 x 24 vol., 3 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Damaged by vermin, rodents, and careless handling, binding broken. R. 28. (116)

267. CHANCERY DOCKETS, 1871 - 1904. Showing term, names of parties and attorneys, case number, kind of action, and court proceedings. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 3 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (117)

268. CLERK'S MINUTE BOOK, NORFOLK AND RICHMOND, May 7 - June 7, 1866; May 7, 1867 - May 9, 1868. Showing date, style of suit, list of jurors, and disposition of chancery cases. (Never.) 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Damaged by vermin, binding loose. R. 28. (118)

269. CHANCERY RECORD BOOKS, Sept. 28, 1790 - Aug. 11, 1831. Showing orders of court, decrees in equity cases, suits for debts, accounts for executors, administrators, and trustees, and names of defendants and plaintiffs. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 17 vol. (20), 5 ft., on 2 steel shelves. Vault in R. 339. (119)

270. EQUITY CASES, Jan. 15, 1866 - Feb. 14, 1878. Bill of complaint, exhibits, subpoena, answer of defendant, affidavits, motion to dismiss, stipulation extending time, order appointing special master, report of special master, deposition, stipulation of counsel, opinion of court, brief, petition, order of dismissal, and final decree. Filed numerically.



(Never.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x  $10\frac{1}{2}$  folders and bundles, 20 ft. 9 in., in 9 wooden document holders in closed wooden boxes Nos. 24 and 31. Damaged by fire, water, vermin, rodents, and on account of faulty containers, dirty, scattered. R. 28. (122)

271. EQUITY CASES, ENDED, CIRCUIT COURT, Apr. 29, 1882 - Oct. 6, 1914. Bill of complaint, exhibits, subpoena, answer of defendant, affidavit, opinion of court, briefs, petitions, decree, and correspondence in each case. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 bundles, 100 ft., in 111 steel folded document holders in closed steel cabinet. R. 339. (40)

(Bankruptcy)

272. RECORD OF REGISTER IN BANKRUPTCY, Aug. 28, 1878 - Mar. 3, 1879. Showing papers filed and orders entered in bankruptcy cases, dates, names of bankrupts, and case number. (Never.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., in closed wooden box No. 2. R. 28. (141)

273. BANKRUPTCY CASES UNDER OLD LAW, June 16, 1868 - Jan. 17, 1876. Petitions, schedules, reports of distribution, subpoenas, orders to show cause upon creditors' petitions, bonds, proofs of debts, powers of attorney, claims, reports of trustees, orders of reference in judge's absence, orders of adjudication, etc. Arranged numerically. (Never.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x  $10\frac{1}{2}$  envelopes, 2 ft. 10 in., in closed wooden box No. 9. Dirty, damaged by water, vermin, and rodents. R. 28. (142)

(Criminal)

274. CLERK'S CRIMINAL DOCKET, Feb. 7, 1868 - Apr. 7, 1911. Showing number of case, names of parties and attorneys, charge, date of indictment, and court proceedings. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (126)

275. CRIMINAL CASES, May 15, 1867 - Oct. 1, 1883. Indictments, mittimus, subpoenas, orders of court, instructions of court to jury, orders for writs of error, supersedeas and bail, writs of error, bills of exception, transcripts of records, certificates of judge, and depositions of witnesses. Filed numerically. (Never.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x  $10\frac{1}{2}$  envelopes and bundles, 2 ft. 6 in., in closed wooden box No. 33. Dirty, damaged by fire, water, vermin, rodents, and on account of faulty containers. R. 28. (139)

(United States Commissioner)

276. TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS BEFORE COMMISSIONERS, Jan. 16, 1896 - Sept. 30, 1902. Showing name of defendant, date of complaint, affidavit, date crime committed, nature of crime, names of marshal and witnesses for the U. S., return of marshal, findings of commissioner at preliminary hearing, and amount of bond required for appearance before court. (Never.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  loose papers, 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 31. R. 28. (92)



## (Fiscal Accounts)

277. CASH BOOK, Jan. 6, 1871 - Feb. 16, 1879. Showing names of defendants, case numbers, receipts, and disbursements. Alphabetically indexed by name of defendant. (Never.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x  $18\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $1/8$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Damaged by vermin. R. 28. (153)

278. FEE BOOK, May 1835 - Mar. 22, 1843; 1866 - Sept. 3, 1902. Record of fees earned by clerk for issuing subpoena and capias, entering order, docketing case, etc., in suits. (Seldom, official.)  $7$  x  $16\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (154)

## (Miscellaneous)

279. MISCELLANEOUS COURT PAPERS, May 5, 1853 - July 23, 1894. Subpoenas for witnesses, petitions for mandamuses, affidavits, accounts of trustees, judgments, pleas, bonds, answers, demurrers, orders of court in ex parte proceedings, bench warrants, indictments, briefs of evidence, fieri facias, scire facias, pay of witnesses and jurors, and transcripts of records in cases of all kinds. There is no way to associate these papers with any cases other than by name as no numbers appear on them. (Never.)  $4$  x  $9\frac{1}{2}$  bundles, 5 ft. 9 in., in closed wooden box No. 24. Brittle, dirty, torn, ink faded, damaged by fire, water, vermin, rodents, careless handling, and on account of faulty containers. R. 28. (144)

280. CHIEF JUSTICE SALMON P. CHASE, ORDERS AND PAPERS, May 10, 1869 - Mar. 1, 1870. Request from clerk of court to chief justice for order to direct F. W. Bass, late Confederate States deputy marshal, to deliver records and papers of the Confederate States circuit court and the U. S. circuit court, and court order to F. W. Bass, and his reply. Also letter showing that papers and order book were returned. (Never.)  $3$  x  $8$  folded sheets,  $1/8$  in., in closed wooden box No. 39. Dirty, brittle. R. 28. (650)

281. ORDERS TO PAY WITNESSES AND JURORS, Oct. 7, 1889 - May 18, 1897. Orders of court to marshal to pay persons acting as jurors and witnesses during court session, showing names, days of service, mileage, total amounts to be paid, and signature of clerk. (Never.)  $8$  x  $14$  vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Binding broken, damaged by vermin. R. 28. (140)

282. FINAL RECORD OF CASES OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTION AGAINST THE U. S., June 8 - Dec. 5, 1888. Showing petitions of supervisors of election for judgment against the U. S. to secure payment for services rendered by them in excess of the five day period admitted by law; also record of oaths, affidavits of service, demurrers, pleas to jurisdiction, special pleas, answers, depositions, and opinions of court. (Never.)  $8$  x  $12$  vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Binding broken, damaged by vermin. R. 28. (145)

283. POLITICAL LIST, Sept. - Oct. 1892. Unidentified list of Democrats and Republicans in counties and cities in eastern Virginia with precincts



and remarks. Entered alphabetically by name of county and city. (Never.)  $14\frac{1}{2}$  x  $17\frac{1}{4}$  vol.,  $\frac{3}{4}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Damaged by vermin. R. 28. (146)

284. APPOINTMENT OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTION, Oct. - Nov. 1884; Oct. 1888; Sept. - Nov. 1890. Recommendations of chief supervisor of election for appointments of designated persons as supervisors of election, and orders of judge requesting chief supervisor to prepare orders of appointment of 815 persons as supervisors. (Never.) Various sized vols. (4),  $5\frac{1}{2}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Damaged by vermin, bindings broken. R. 28. (147, 148, 149)

285. OATHS OF SERVICE OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTION AT RICHMOND, NORFOLK, AND PETERSBURG, Nov. 9, 1892 - Jan. 19, 1893. Record of oaths as to identity and length of service of supervisors of election signed before U. S. commissioner and attested by chief supervisor. (Never.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Damaged by vermin. R. 28. (150)

286. OATHS, REPORTS, AND CORRESPONDENCE OF SUPERVISORS OF GENERAL ELECTIONS, Nov. 1, 1872 - Nov. 17, 1882. Oaths recorded on printed forms showing date, precinct, and signatures of supervisors taking oath and officer administering oath; reports regarding manner in which elections were conducted; and correspondence of general supervisor with local supervisors dealing with acceptance or rejection of office, petitions for appointment of certain persons as supervisors, and requests from supervisors for official instructions. (Never.) 4 x 9 bundles, 3 ft. 6 in., in closed wooden box No. 7. R. 28. (151)

287. ELIGIBLE VOTERS OF MARSHAL, JEFFERSON, CLAY, MONROE, JACKSON AND MADISON WARDS, Oct. 1886. Record by precinct segregating white and colored voters under each precinct, and giving name, age, and residence of each voter. Entered alphabetically. (Never.) Various sized vols. (37), 9 in., in closed wooden box No. 1. Bindings broken, damaged by water, vermin, rodents, and careless handling. R. 28. (152)

288. ELIGIBLE WHITE VOTERS OF THIRD, FOURTH, AND FIFTH WARDS, PETERSBURG, Nov. 1892. Poorly written and partly illegible record by ward, giving name and address of each voter. Entered alphabetically. (Never.)  $5$  x  $7\frac{1}{2}$  and  $5\frac{1}{2}$  x  $8\frac{3}{4}$  vols., (3), 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 1. Bindings broken, covers warped, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 28. (222)

#### District Court Records

(General)

289. RULE BOOKS, June 19, 1790 - Sept. 1, 1798; Oct. 1, 1817 - Apr. 5, 1826. Showing names of attorneys, kind of process, nature of return, style of case, kind of action, and proceedings at rules. (Never.)  $10\frac{1}{2}$  x  $15\frac{1}{2}$  and 12 x 19 vols. (2), 3 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (1)

290. PROCESS BOOK, 1867 - 1870. Showing style of case, names of witnesses and jurors to be summoned, and date for appearance; includes two



lists of witnesses summoned in the trial of Jefferson Davis, President of the late Confederate States of America, for treason. (Never.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 vol.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in., on steel shelf. Damaged by vermin and rodents. Vault in R. 339. (2)

291. PROCESS BOOK, Sept. 30, 1903 - Oct. 7, 1921. Showing name of person to whom process was issued, kind of process, date issued, return date, to whom delivered or mailed for execution, and officer's return date. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (3)

292. EXECUTION BOOKS, Nov. 15, 1819 - July 30, 1860; Oct. 5, 1877 - July 26, 1897. Showing number of case, names of parties and attorneys, dates of judgment and execution, costs, return date, to whom delivered, when returned, and marshal's return. Indexed alphabetically by name of defendant. (Seldom, official.) 14 x 16 and 12 x 18 vols. (2), 4 in., on steel shelf. Binding broken on one vol. Vault in R. 339. (4)

293. RECORD OF OFFICE JUDGMENTS, Jan. 8, 1881 - Apr. 2, 1917. Showing style of case, case number, kind of action, costs, amount of judgment and interest, and, in some instances, dated notice of satisfaction of the judgment. (Seldom, official.) 12 x  $17\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (5)

294. OFFICE DOCKET A, July 19 - Nov. 20, 1865; Sept. 11, 1903 - Oct. 29, 1904. Record of cases of confiscation by the Government of real and personal property, giving name of defendant, assets to be confiscated, name of attorney, court proceedings, date writ issued, and when and how returned; also record of libel actions showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorney, court proceedings, monition to marshal, when writ was issued, and when and how returned. Entered numerically and chronologically. (Never.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Damaged by vermin. R. 28. (6)

295. STET PROCESSUS DOCKET, Apr. 1876 - Apr. 1897. Record of chancery cases, 1876 - 1877; equity cases, 1877; garnishee cases, 1877, 1884, 1885, 1887 - 1889; law cases 1884, 1885; and bankruptcy cases, 1890, 1891, 1897; shows names of plaintiff and defendant, and case number. (Never.) 10 x 15 vol.,  $\frac{1}{8}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Binding broken, damaged by vermin. R. 28. (7)

296. TRIAL CALENDARS, Jan. 24, 1914 - Oct. 4, 1927. Showing term, names of attorneys and parties, kind of action, date instituted, and proceedings; cases grouped as law, equity, miscellaneous, and criminal cases. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 3 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (8)

297. CLERK'S MINUTES, May 11, 1868 - June 10, 1890. Showing date, case number, style of suit, and court proceedings. (Never.) Various sized vols. (6),  $5\frac{1}{4}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Bindings broken, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 28. (9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 134)



298. MEMORANDA OF PROCEEDINGS, ALEXANDRIA, Jan. 5, 1875 - Feb. 1, 1879. Clerk's notes on court proceedings in criminal, law, and equity cases, and miscellaneous orders, to be transferred later to order book. (Never.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 clipped sheets, 2 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Dirty. R. 28. (12)

299. MINUTE BOOKS, Oct. 4, 1926 to date. Clerk's notes on court proceedings in cases of all kinds, giving date and style of suit; used by clerk when writing orders in order book. (Frequently, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 vols. (2), 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (15)

300. DOCKET OF DEPREDATION CASES AND PROCESS BOOK, Nov. 2, 1867 - Jan. 17, 1868; Sept. 28, 1869 - Jan. 9, 1874. Record of depredation cases showing case number, date and place of mailing, name and address of party, amount of loss, name of postmaster to whom complaint was made, and remarks; also process records showing kind and number of process, date, by whom issued, names of plaintiff and defendant, amount, place, date and to whom sent for service, date returned, and return of officer. First portion of book, used as docket of depredation cases. (Never.) 11 x 16 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 2. R. 28. (32)

301. CONFISCATION DOCKET, NORFOLK, Nov. 2, 1863 - May 23, 1865. Showing number of case, names of parties and attorneys, kind of process, date issued, date returned, marshal's return, and order of court; also description of real estate and personal property subject to confiscation under act of Congress of July 17, 1862. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol. 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (28)

302. OFFICE DOCKET, NORFOLK AND ALEXANDRIA, Aug. 26, 1863 - May 23, 1865. Showing number and style of suit, names of attorneys, court proceedings, process, to whom delivered, when issued, and when and how returned; contains a description of real estate and personal property subject to confiscation under act of Congress of July 17, 1862. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x  $17\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (29)

303. CONFISCATION DOCKETS, ALEXANDRIA, Aug. 26, 1863 - Aug. 26, 1864. Showing number of case, names of parties and attorneys, kind of process, date issued, date returned, marshal's return and order of court; also description of real estate and personal property subject to confiscation. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (27)

304. CONFISCATION ORDER BOOKS, ALEXANDRIA, July 6, 1863 - May 29, 1866. Contain orders to confiscate real and personal property under authority of act of Congress of July 17, 1862, and, in some instances, orders to dismiss. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x  $17\frac{3}{4}$  vols., (2), 4 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (34)

305. FINAL COURT RECORD OF CONFISCATION CASES, ALEXANDRIA, July 1, 1863 - Feb. 8, 1864. Orders of court relative to seizure of real and personal property of persons who "raised arms in rebellion against the



Federal Government": orders that proclamation be made by marshal, that real and personal property be sold for cash twenty days after publication in newspaper, that deed to purchaser be executed by clerk of court, etc. Entered numerically. (Never.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., in closed wooden box No. 2. R. 28. (16)

306. CONFISCATION JUDGMENT DOCKET, ALEXANDRIA AND NORFOLK, Oct. 9, 1863 - May 31, 1866. Gives number of judgment, kind of action, names of parties and attorneys, date judgment was rendered, and reference to order book for court judgment; contains descriptions of real estate and personal property confiscated. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x  $17\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (31)

307. ORDER BOOK A, CONFISCATION, BANKRUPTCY, ADMIRALTY, AND REVENUE, July 19, 1865 - May 27, 1869. Showing names of parties and attorneys, kind of action, process issued, marshal's return, order of court, and, in many instances, dismissal upon payment of costs. See entry 309. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vol., 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (17)

308. CONFISCATION CASES, Nos. 1-436, July 19 - Sept. 9, 1865. Libel of information, monition, order and notice of seizure, order for process, and proof and publication of notice. Cases filed in separate envelopes with style of case and number written on outside. See entry 309. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 envelopes, 20 ft., in 22 wooden folded document holders in closed steel cabinet. R. 339. (22)

309. CONFISCATION AND ADMIRALTY DOCKET, July 19, 1865 - Aug. 31, 1867. Docket of first U. S. court established at Richmond after the War for Southern Independence. Each docket records names of parties and attorneys, kind of action, process issued, when returned, marshal's return, and order of court. Chief purpose of court was to try confiscation cases dealing with property of citizens of Richmond and Henrico County. Confiscation cases show description of real estate, goods, chattels, and personal property of libellant; admiralty cases pertain to suits brought by the Government against floating property and distilled spirits seized on high seas. Both pertain to seizure of real and personal property under act of Congress of July 17, 1862. See entries 307 and 308. (Seldom, official.) 12 x  $17\frac{3}{4}$  vol., 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (69)

310. REVENUE AND ADMIRALTY DOCKET, May 7, 1867 - Nov. 25, 1873. Showing number of case, names of parties and attorneys, kind of action, process, when issued and returned, marshal's return, papers filed, and court orders. Indexed chronologically and numerically. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on steel shelf. Binding broken. Vault in R. 339. (70)

311. ORDERS FOR PROCESS, Dec. 3, 1870 - Aug. 9, 1883. Orders of confiscation in revenue and admiralty cases on floating, real, and personal property, showing filing of libel, monition, order for process, date and place of trial, order of publication of libel in newspaper, posting of pendency of trial at customhouse door, and proclamation by marshal at customhouse door 3 times weekly until trial. Entered



numerically. (Never.) 10 x 16 vol.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. R. 28. (67)

312. RECORD BOOKS, July 9, 1790 - May 9, 1832. Record of admiralty, debt, and chancery cases, giving names of plaintiff and defendant, disposition of case, and order to marshal for arrest. Vol. 1 records admiralty cases only, and seems to have been preceded by another volume not found. Have vol. index. (Seldom, public.) 12 x 17 vols. (5), 1 ft. 6 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (71)

313. CLERK'S FINAL RECORD, Oct. 4, 1888 - Oct. 12, 1897. Showing transcript of summons, declaration, warrant, return on warrant, plea, and orders of court showing judgments in criminal and civil cases. This type of information is now recorded in order book. Indexed. (Never.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., in closed wooden box No. 2. R. 28. (18)

314. ORDER BOOKS, U. S. DISTRICT AND CONFEDERATE STATES COURTS, Dec. 19, 1797 - Sept. 18, 1799; May 20, 1811 - Feb. 6, 1874; June 5, 1885 to date. Record of court proceedings showing order of court, style of suit, and disposition of case. Vol., marked Order Book No. 1, District Court, Confederate States, is dated June 12, 1861 - Mar. 30, 1865; vol. 15 contains order of Jan. 1, 1866, signed by Judge John C. Underwood, to move clerk's office of District Court of the U. S. for the District of Virginia from Alexandria to Richmond. Vols. 4, 12-15, 23-32, 32 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 33-43; Confederate vol. 1; and 6 unnumbered vols. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (34), 7 ft., on 11 shelves. Vault in R. 302 and vault in R. 339. (19)

315. CIVIL DOCKETS, Jan. 10, 1908 to date. Showing docket number, title of case, names of attorneys, accounts for plaintiff and defendant, abstract of costs, receipt, remarks, filings, and dated court proceedings; vols. 1-4 are equity dockets; the remainder are law dockets. Indexed. (Daily, official.) 15 x 17 and 15 x 16 vols. (17), 3 ft. 6 in., on 2 steel shelves. Vault in R. 302. (26)

316. LAW DOCKETS, May 29, 1874 - June 30, 1898; Mar. 31, 1905 - Dec. 1, 1907; Apr. 4, 1910 - May 1, 1917. Showing number of case, names of parties and attorneys, kind of action and court proceedings. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 and 11 x 16 vols. (3), 5 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (30)

317. LAW CASES, Aug. 3, 1875 - June 30, 1898. Plaintiff's declaration as to cause of action, defendant's appearance, motion for dismissal, bond for cost, pleas, and final order of dismissal. Filed numerically. (Never.) 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  envelopes, packages, and loose sheets, 2 ft., in closed wooden box No. 33. Damaged by fire, water, vermin, rodents, and on account of faulty containers, dirty, scattered. R. 28. (33)

318. CIVIL CASES, ENDED, Feb. 18, 1908 - June 24, 1932. Notice of motion for judgment, petition, declaration, order appointing guardian ad litem, order of distribution of funds, affidavits, order of publication,



notice of condemnation, order vesting title, answer, oath, correspondence relative to case, and receipt. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 9 envelopes, 60 ft., in 64 steel folded document holders in closed steel cabinet. Dirty. R. 339. (35)

319. CIVIL CASES, ENDED, July 1, 1932 to date. Plaintiff's declaration as to cause of action, appearance of defendant, motion of dismissal, bond for cost, pleas, plea to jurisdiction, demurred plea in abatement, and final order of dismissal. Filed numerically. Docket serves as index. (Daily, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 envelopes, 7 ft. 3 in., in 6 drawers of steel filing cases. R. 303. (495)

320. CIVIL CASES, PENDING, Dec. 9, 1932 to date. Plaintiff's declaration as to cause of action, appearance of defendant, motion of dismissal, bond for cost, pleas, plea to jurisdiction, demurred plea in abatement, and final order of dismissal. Filed numerically. (Daily, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 envelopes, 1 ft. 6 in., in 2 drawers of steel filing case. R. 303. (496)

(Equity)

321. EQUITY DOCKET, Dec. 9, 1868 - Sept. 21, 1894. Showing names of parties and attorneys, case numbers, dates of docketing, kinds of processes filed or issued, to whom delivered, returns of officer, court proceedings, rules, etc. Entered numerically. Indexed. (Never.) 12 x 18 vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 2. R. 28. (36)

322. CHANCERY DOCKETS, Nov. 9, 1869 - Feb. 24, 1876; June 21, 1904 - Sept. 7, 1907. Showing number of suit, names of parties and attorneys, kinds of action and process, and dates of all pleadings and orders. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 and  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vols. (2), 4 in., on 2 steel shelves. Vault in R. 339. (37)

323. EQUITY DOCKETS, Feb. 14, 1913 to date. Showing title of case, names of attorneys, accounts of plaintiff and defendant, filings, proceedings, and itemized account of clerk's fees. Indexed. (Daily, official.)  $14\frac{1}{2}$  x  $16\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (4), 6 in., on 2 steel shelves. Vault in R. 302. (497)

324. CHANCERY BANKRUPTCY CAUSES UNDER OLD LAW, Nov. 28, 1868 - Nov. 10, 1883. Bills of complaint, petitions, answers, bonds, exhibits, depositions, decrees, demurrers, and accounts. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 6 x 12 folders, 8 ft., in 11 steel folded document holders in closed steel cabinet. Dirty. R. 339. (38)

325. EQUITY CASES, ENDED, Nov. 15, 1870 - Aug. 4, 1877. Bills of complaint, exhibits, subpoenas, answers of defendants, affidavits, motions to dismiss, stipulations extending time, orders appointing special masters, depositions, stipulations of counsel, opinions of court, briefs, petitions, orders of dismissal, and final decrees. Filed numerically. (Never.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x  $10\frac{1}{2}$  envelopes, loose sheets, and bundles, 1 ft., in closed wooden box No. 33. Dirty, scattered, damaged by fire, water, vermin, rodents, and on account of faulty containers. R. 28. (39)



326. EQUITY CASES, ENDED, Feb. 14, 1913 - Dec. 13, 1935. Bills of complaint, exhibits, subpoenas, answers of defendants, affidavits, opinions of court, briefs, petitions, and decrees. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 envelopes, 43 ft., in 46 steel folded document holders in closed steel cabinet. R. 339. (41)

327. EQUITY CASES, July 21, 1932 to date. Bill of complaint, subpoena, order directing appearance of defendant, order to dismiss suit, etc. Filed numerically. (Daily, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 envelopes, 3 ft. 6 in., in 2 drawers of steel filing case. R. 303. (42)

328. EQUITY DECREES, Dec. 12, 1868 - Feb. 9, 1869. Printed forms directing receivers to pay into court interest and costs due the Bank of the Valley in Virginia, showing date, names of parties and judge, and amount. Decrees are now entered in the Order Books. (Never.)  $10 \times 15\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (2), 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 2. Bindings broken, damaged by vermin. R. 28. (43)

329. SUPPLEMENT TO COURT RECORD, MERCHANTS BANK, June 30, 1868. Equity case of the Merchants National Bank of Baltimore, et al., v. the Bank of the Valley in Virginia, et al., includes court orders to show cause why persons against whom petitions were made should not pay debts due. Orders entered numerically. (Never.)  $10\frac{1}{2} \times 15\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Binding broken; damaged by vermin. R. 28. (123)

330. EQUITY DECREES IN CASE OF THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF BALTIMORE, ET AL., V. THE BANK OF THE VALLEY IN VIRGINIA, ET AL., Oct. 10, 1872 - Oct. 31, 1873. Rulings that orders to show cause be discharged as improvidently awarded and that defendant recover against complainants the costs expended; show date, names of parties, and signature of judge. (Never.)  $10\frac{1}{2} \times 16$  vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 2. R. 28. (124)

331. CENTRAL TRUST COMPANY V. RICHMOND AND DANVILLE RAILROAD CO., RECEIVERSHIP, July 3, 1893 - May 16, 1910. Bills in chancery, petitions, orders appointing receivers, bonds of receivers, claims of creditors, and general correspondence between attorneys for creditors, clerk, and judge; suit instituted because railroad company defaulted bonds. Filed by name of claimant and correspondent. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 folders and bundles, 25 ft., in 28 wooden folded document holders in closed steel cabinet. Dirty. R. 339. (44)

(Bankruptcy)

332. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, June 8, 1867 - June 3, 1885. Showing case number, name and residence of bankrupt, names of plaintiff, attorneys, register, and assignee, and record of proceedings from date of petition to discharge. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 16 vols. (14), 2 ft. 6 in., on steel shelf. Bindings broken. Vault in R. 339. (45)

333. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, July 30, 1867 - Aug. 27, 1868; Aug. 1, 1872 - June 6, 1879. Showing case number, names of bankrupt, attorney, assignee,



and register, date of record of proceedings, names of creditors, amount due, and whether or not discharge has been granted. Indexed. (Never.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 and 8 x  $12\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (20), 4 ft. 5 in., in closed wooden boxes Nos. 2 and 4. Bindings broken and damaged by vermin. R. 28. (46, 47)

334. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, Aug. 1, 1898 to date. Showing case number, date, title of case, names of attorneys, referees, and trustee, pleas, orders, and cash received and disbursed. Indexed by petitioner. (Daily, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 vols. (28), 7 ft., on 2 steel shelves. Vault in k. 302. (48)

335. BANKRUPTCY NOTICE DOCKET, Jan. 19, 1870 - Dec. 5, 1873. Record of notices given to assignee in bankruptcy setting aside sales, and notices of motions to be made before court in contested bankruptcy cases giving date of entry, title of case, names of party giving notice, and person to whom notice was given. (Never.) 12 x 18 vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 2. R. 28. (49)

336. BANKRUPTCY MINUTES, Aug. 31, 1867 - May 5, 1868. Record of court proceedings in Farmville voluntary bankruptcy cases, showing name of bankrupt, reference to register in bankruptcy, and statement of filing of sheets, papers, and oaths. Indexed. (Never.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x  $16\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Damaged by vermin. R. 28. (51)

337. ORDERS OF REFERENCE, July 30, 1867 - Oct. 9, 1873. Record of petitions for adjudication in voluntary bankruptcy cases according to provisions of the act of Congress of Mar. 2, 1867, showing petition for bankruptcy, reference to register in bankruptcy for adjudication, and court proceedings. Entered numerically. (Never.) 12 x 18 vols. (5), 8 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. R. 28. (50)

338. ORDERS OF ADJUDICATION AND REFERENCE, June 4, 1900 - Oct. 11, 1928. Showing number of case, names of bankrupt and referee, date petition was filed, date for bankrupt's appearance before referee, and dated signature of judge. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vols. (6), 1 ft., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (61)

339. ORDERS OF ADJUDICATION AND REFERENCE, Dec. 28, 1928 to date. Showing number of case, name of bankrupt, date petition was filed, name of referee, date for bankrupt's appearance before referee, and dated signature of judge. (Daily, official.) 11 x 16 vols. (2), 4 in., on 2 steel shelves. Vault in R. 302. (499)

340. REGISTER'S RECORD OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS, Sept. 6, 1867 - Sept. 6, 1878. Record of papers filed and orders entered in bankruptcy cases showing dates, names of bankrupts, attorneys, and case numbers. Indexed. (Never.) 9 x  $13\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., in closed wooden box No. 2. Binding broken, damaged by vermin. R. 28. (52)

341. TRUSTEES' BONDS IN BANKRUPTCY CASES, FIFTY DOLLARS AND UNDER, Oct. 19, 1934 to date. Showing names of principal and sureties, amount, date,



signatures, and approval by referee. Filed numerically. (Daily, official.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  folded sheets, 2 ft. 4 in., in 3 steel folded document holders. R. 304. (53)

342. BANKRUPTCY CASES UNDER OLD LAW, June 15, 1867 - July 4, 1877. Creditor's petition, order to show cause, petitions, report of assignee, account and exhibits of assignee, and bond decree. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 9 envelopes, 350 ft., in 363 steel folded document holders in closed steel cabinet. R. 339. (54)

343. INVOLUNTARY BANKRUPTCY CASES UNDER OLD LAW, Mar. 4, 1869 - July 31, 1878. Creditor's petition, order to show cause, petitions, report, accounts, and exhibits of assignee, and bond decree. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 6 x 12 envelopes, 30 ft., in 30 steel folded document holders in closed steel cabinet. R. 339. (55)

344. BANKRUPTCY CASES UNDER OLD LAW, Aug. 19, 1867 - June 15, 1881. Petitions, schedules, reports of distribution, subpoenas, orders to show cause upon creditors' petitions, bonds, proofs of debts, powers of attorney, claims, reports of trustees, orders of reference in judge's absence, orders of adjudication, and other court orders. Arranged numerically. (Never.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x  $10\frac{1}{2}$  envelopes and bundles, 94 ft. 2 in., in 3 closed wooden boxes Nos. 9, 10, and 12. Dirty, damaged by water, vermin, and rodents. R. 28. (56)

345. BANKRUPTCY CASES, PENDING, Feb. 23, 1915 to date. Order to show cause upon creditors' petition, schedule of bankrupt, order of reference in judge's absence, order of adjudication, summons to witnesses, trustee's report upon discharge, and petition for discharge. Cases prior to June 8, 1932 are filed in folded document holders and the remainder in filing cases. Filed numerically. Card index. (Daily, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 envelopes and bundles, 13 ft., in 8 drawers of steel filing case and 7 steel folded document holders. Rs. 303, 304. (57)

346. INVOLUNTARY BANKRUPTCY CASES, ENDED, June 24, 1899 - Feb. 17, 1912. Order to show cause, petitions, report of assignee, account and exhibits of assignee, and bond decrees. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 6 x 12 envelopes, 55 ft., in 55 steel folded document holders in metal filing cabinet. R. 339. (68)

347. BANKRUPTCY CASES, ENDED, Aug. 2, 1898 - May 13, 1922. Orders to show cause upon creditor's petition, schedule of bankrupt, order of reference in judge's absence, order of adjudication, summons to witnesses, trustee's report upon discharge, petition for discharge, and order for discharge. Filed numerically. Card index in R. 302. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 12 envelopes and bundles, 375 ft., in 418 steel folded document holders in closed steel cabinet. R. 339. (60)

348. BANKRUPTCY CASES, ENDED, May 13, 1922 to date. Order to show cause upon creditor's petition, schedule of bankrupt, order of reference in judge's absence, order of adjudication, summons to witnesses, trustee's report upon discharge, petition for discharge, and order of discharge. Filed



numerically. Card indexes. (Daily, official.) 4 x 9 folders and  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 envelopes, 590 ft., in 54 drawers of steel filing cases and 387 steel folded document holders. Rs. 303, 304. (59)

349. ORDERS OF NOTICE FOR DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY, May 23, 1900 - Nov. 12, 1925. Showing number of case, name of bankrupt, date of hearing, newspaper in which notice is to be printed, and date of notice. Notices now are filed with case papers. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vols. (5), 10 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 330. (62)

350. DISCHARGE BANKRUPTCY CASE PAPERS, Sept. 9, 1842 - Apr. 8, 1845. Accounts, receipts, reports of trustees, and orders of court. Filed alphabetically by petitioner. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 envelopes and bundles, 25 ft., in 26 wooden folded document holders in closed steel cabinet. Dirty. R. 339. (64)

351. BANKRUPTCY DISCHARGES, Feb. 8, 1868 - Oct. 9, 1893; May 28, 1900 - Oct. 6, 1930. Showing case number, schedule of bankrupt, court proceedings, name of bankrupt, date petition for adjudication filed, signature of district judge, and date of signing. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vols. (10), 2 ft., on 2 steel shelves. Vault in R. 339. (63)

352. BANKRUPTCY DISCHARGES, Dec. 15, 1930 to date. Showing case number, name of bankrupt, date petition for adjudication filed, signature of district judge, and date of signing. Indexed. (Daily, official.) 10 x  $11\frac{1}{2}$  loose-leaf books (5), 1 ft. 3 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (501)

(Admiralty)

353. ADMIRALTY STIPULATIONS AND BONDS, Aug. 26, 1892. Original papers and record of libel case filed by Craig M. McKeen, master and owner of the schooner Welcome R. Bebee, against the Old Dominion Iron and Nail Works Company. Indexed. (Never.) 8 x 14 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. R. 28. (72)

354. ADMIRALTY CASES, May 7, 1867 - Mar. 4, 1898. Praecipes for libels, libels, attachments and monitions, answers, orders for process, venditionae exponae, decrees of sale, orders dismissing and releasing bonds, and writs of restitution. Filed numerically. (Never.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x  $10\frac{1}{2}$  envelopes and bundles, 6 ft., in closed wooden box No. 31. Dirty, scattered, damaged by fire, water, vermin, rodents, and on account of faulty containers. R. 28. (73)

355. REVENUE CASES, May 17, 1867 - Nov. 21, 1878. Indictments, capiases pro fine, information, bench warrants, bonds for costs, appeal bonds, affidavits, and judgments of court. Filed numerically. (Never.) 5 x  $10\frac{1}{2}$  envelopes, 7 ft. 3 in., in closed wooden box No. 31. Dirty, damaged by vermin and on account of faulty containers. R. 28. (74)

356. ADMIRALTY CASES, ENDED, Jan. 23, 1899 - Dec. 19, 1907. Petitions, orders of process, claims, orders, stipulations, exceptions, answers,



depositions, and fieri facias. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 bundles, 1 ft. 6 in., in 2 steel folded document holders in closed steel cabinet. R. 339. (75)

357. OATH OF MASTER CONCERNING LOSS OF DOCUMENT, Dec. 20, 1872 - July 22, 1891. Record of 38 oaths attested by deputy collector, each person taking oath giving name of vessel, tonnage, district in which license was granted, and time at which license was lost or destroyed. Contains a promise of owner to deliver to collector such license if it is found. (Never.) 10 x 14 $\frac{1}{2}$  vol. 1/12 in., in closed wooden box No. 39. Damaged by vermin. R. 28. (159)

358. RECORD OF MORTGAGE AND DISPOSAL OF VESSELS, Dec. 27, 1866 - Apr. 15, 1893. Showing names of vessel, grantor, grantee, mortgagor, mortgagee, and part owned, part conveyed, instrument of conveyance, when made, amount, date received by clerk, and page number of record. Entered alphabetically by name of vessel. (Never.) 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 $\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Binding broken, damaged by vermin and careless handling. R. 28. (76)

359. RECORD OF SEIZURE AND DISPOSAL OF VESSELS, Aug. 1, 1872 - Aug. 26, 1889. Showing name of offender, date and place of offense, name of officer in charge, property seized, nature of offense, penalty, violation, appraised value or amount of fine, and disposal of case. (Never.) 14 x 21 vol., 1/8 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Dirty, binding broken, damaged by water and vermin. R. 28. (77)

360. DEEDS OF TRUST, BILLS OF SALE, AND RELEASE DEEDS TO VESSELS, Dec. 27, 1866 - May 9, 1883. Portion of vol. contains recorded deeds of trust on vessels to be taken in event of default of payment on notes; the remainder is a record of mortgage and sale of vessels. Indexed. (Never.) 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Binding broken, pages loose, dirty, brittle, damaged by water and vermin. R. 28. (78)

(Criminal)

361. CLERK'S CRIMINAL DOCKET, Nov. 24, 1896 - Oct. 7, 1909. Records number of case, names of witnesses, date of indictment, nature of offense, and kind of action. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (79)

362. CONFISCATION AND CRIMINAL JUDGMENT DOCKET, Nov. 18, 1865 - Aug. 7, 1867; Nov. 29, 1870 - Jan. 10, 1873. Records case and judgment numbers, names of parties and attorneys, kind of action, kind of process, date judgment rendered, marshal's return, and order of court. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 17 $\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., on closed steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (80)

363. CRIMINAL DOCKET, Mar. 2, 1894 - Mar. 21, 1896. Showing name of defendant, charge, disposition, and dates in each case. (Never.) 9 x 14 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. R. 28. (81)



364. CRIMINAL DOCKETS, Feb. 23, 1908 to date. Showing docket number, title of case, names of defendants and attorneys, abstract of cost, cash received and disbursed, and dated records of proceedings. Indexed alphabetically by name of defendant. (Daily, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 vols. (8), 1 ft.  $5\frac{1}{2}$  in., on 2 steel shelves. Vault in R. 302. (82)

365. CRIMINAL ORDER BOOK, Nov. 14, 1870 - Apr. 19, 1888. Record of indictments, pleas and bonds, subpoenas, bench warrants, and court orders in criminal cases. Indexed by name of defendant. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 3 in., on closed steel shelf. Binding broken. Vault in R. 339. (83)

366. INDICTMENTS FOR TREASON, June 7, 1865 - Apr. 3, 1868. Thirty-four indictments, each recording date, term of court, and place of hearing, name and occupation of defendant, date and place treason was committed, signature of the U. S. attorney, names of witnesses giving testimony before grand jury, number and style of case, signature of foreman of grand jury, and date of filing. Among the thirty-four who were indicted because they were prominent in the War for Southern Independence were Robert E. Lee, James A. Seddon, Confederate Secretary of War, Fitzhugh Lee, Jubal A. Early, Wade Hampton, William Mahone, Richard S. Ewell, and James Longstreet. (Seldom, official.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  loose papers, 1 in., in closed steel filing case. Vault in R. 302. (84)

367. FINAL CRIMINAL RECORD, Apr. 5, 1898 - Sept. 21, 1920. Showing indictment, return of marshal, date of court appearance, witnesses, number and style of case, kind of action, report on indictment by jury, and disposition of case by court. Indexed by name of defendant. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vols. (2), 6 in., on 2 steel shelves. Vault in R. 339. (85)

368. CRIMINAL CASES, Dec. 9, 1870 - Oct. 5, 1892. Indictments, mittimus, subpoenas, court orders, depositions, instructions of court to jury, orders for writs of error, supersedeas and bail, writs of error, bills of exceptions, transcripts of records, certificates of judge, and depositions of witnesses. Filed numerically. (Never.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x  $10\frac{1}{2}$  envelopes and bundles, 2 ft. 6 in., in closed wooden box No. 31. Scattered, dirty, damaged by fire, water, vermin, rodents, and on account of faulty containers. R. 28. (86)

369. CRIMINAL CASES, ENDED, Oct. 4, 1893 - Apr. 5, 1932. Indictment, mandate, petition for appeal, capias, commitment, assignment of error, bill of exception, transcript of record, subpoena, and court orders in each case. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 bundles, 40 ft., in 45 steel folded document holders in closed steel cabinets. R. 339. (87)

370. CRIMINAL CASES, ENDED, Oct. 3, 1932 to date. Indictment, subpoena, commitment, certificate of discharge to convict, correspondence between the U. S. commissioner and clerk, etc. Filed numerically. (Daily, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 envelopes, 4 ft., in 3 drawers of steel filing case. R. 303. (88)



371. AARON BURR CASE, Dec. 1806 - Oct. 1807. Original papers in the trial of Aaron Burr for treason against the U. S.; also 1 vol. containing a certified typed copy of the original papers which were described in an order of the U. S. Circuit Court for the Eastern District of Virginia dated May 1905 and taken from the files of the court for exhibition at the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition held in Portland, Oregon. (Seldom, public.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 bundles,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in., in drawer of steel filing case. Torn, brittle. Vault in R. 302. (106)

372. TRIAL OF JEFFERSON DAVIS, ORIGINAL PAPERS, May 8, 1866 - Feb. 15, 1869. Indictment for treason, warrants, subpoenas, recognizances, bail bonds, and affidavits; the papers show that Jefferson Davis was placed on trial seven times, and that after several postponements the case was dismissed Feb. 15, 1869. (Seldom, public.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x  $9\frac{1}{2}$  bundle, 1 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Vault in R. 302. (107)

(United States Commissioner)

373. UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER'S DOCKET, July 1, 1871 - Sept. 16, 1873. Showing name of defendant, dated court proceedings, disposition of case, and costs. Indexed. (Never.) 8 x 13 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Damaged by vermin. R. 28. (89)

374. UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER'S FEE BOOK AND DOCKET, Mar. 18, 1871 - July 20, 1885; Mar. 19, 1896 - Dec. 11, 1897. Fee book contains itemized account of costs in cases 1871 - 1885; docket shows name of defendant, dated court proceedings, and disposition of each case. (Never.) 8 x 13 vol.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Damaged by vermin. R. 28. (90)

375. UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER'S CRIMINAL RECORD BOOKS, Jan. 8, 1898 - June 24, 1920. Showing style of case, nature of complaint, name of commissioner, marshal's return on warrant, plea of defendant, statement of costs, name of defendant, disposition of case, and list of witnesses. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 vols. (8), 9 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (93)

376. COMMISSIONER'S ACCOUNTS, Dec. 18, 1933 - Nov. 19, 1936. Showing names of commissioner and defendant, title of complaint, nature of charge, where offense was committed, name and title of person to whom warrant was delivered, place and date of arrest, disposition of case, dates, and itemized account of costs in each case before commissioner; these are duplicate copies of U. S. commissioner's accounts rendered quarterly to the clerk's office. The originals are sent to Attorney General. (Seldom, official.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  bundles, 1 ft., in steel folded document holder in closed steel cabinet. R. 339. (94)

377. U. S. COMMISSIONER'S LETTER BOOK, Apr. 22, 1897 - Oct. 20, 1898. Commissioner's letters to persons at Richmond, Norfolk, and Petersburg concerning cases, blank forms, instructions, and terms of courts; also relative to collector's report on one violation of internal revenue law occurring in his district. Commissioner's letters are now filed with the



case to which they refer. (Never.)  $10\frac{1}{2}$  x 12 loose-leaf book,  $1\frac{1}{16}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 28. R. 28. (95)

(Naturalization)

378. DECLARATIONS OF INTENTION, July 31, 1867 - Nov. 19, 1896. Showing court before which intention declared, name and description of alien, nationality, date and place of birth, marital status, place of last foreign residence, port of departure, port of entry, name of vessel or manner of arrival, and statement of willingness to renounce allegiance to foreign sovereignty, given under oath. (Never.)  $4 \times 8\frac{1}{4}$  loose papers, 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 33. R. 28. (96)

379. DECLARATIONS OF INTENTION, Nov. 8, 1911 to date. Showing court before which intention declared, name and description of alien, nationality, date and place of birth, marital status, place of last foreign residence, port of departure, port of entry, name of vessel or manner of arrival, and statement of willingness to renounce allegiance to foreign sovereignty, given under oath. Loose-leaf book used since June 30, 1929. Indexed. (Daily, official.) Various sized vols. (9) and loose-leaf books (2), 1 ft. 6 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (97)

380. NATURALIZATION PETITIONS AND RECORD, Jan. 3, 1912 to date. Showing name and address of petitioner, date and place of birth, place of immigration, date of declaration, affidavit of petitioner, oath of allegiance to the U. S., order of court signed by judge admitting petitioner. Petitions, records, and declarations of intention are filed together in first 2 vols. Declarations of intention were later filed separately from petitions and records. Indexed. (Daily, official, public.)  $12 \times 16$  vols. (18), 3 ft. 6 in., on 10 steel shelves. Vault in R. 302. (498)

381. STUBS OF NATURALIZATION CERTIFICATES, June 10, 1918 to date. Showing serial number of detached certificate, name and age of alien petitioner receiving certificate, record of petition, date of signing of order, and signature of petitioner. After 1926 use of bound volumes was abandoned and separate sheets were used for more convenient handling. Filed chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $4 \times 8$  envelopes and  $5 \times 10$  stub books (53), 3 ft. 2 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 302. (98, 569)

(Fiscal Accounts)

382. CLERK'S FEE BOOK, May 13, 1867 - June 10, 1873. Record of amounts paid into court including court fees and gross amounts from sale of confiscated goods in admiralty and revenue cases; gives separate entry for each case, showing name of defendant and date fee was paid. (Never.)  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Damaged by vermin. R. 28. (100)

383. ANNUAL REPORTS OF ASSIGNEES IN BANKRUPTCY, June 30, 1875 - June 30, 1879. Showing amount of assets on hand with itemized accounts of receipts and disbursements, fees paid, and expenses in legal proceedings instituted; each case is listed separately. (Never.)  $3\frac{1}{2} \times 9$  bundles, 4



in., in closed wooden box No. 31. Dirty, ink faded, damaged by vermin. R. 28. (102)

384. FEES AND COSTS IN BANKRUPTCY CASES, Aug. 1, 1876 - Aug. 1879. Record of register in bankruptcy showing itemized and dated account of fees and costs in bankruptcy cases. (Never.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 vol.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Damaged by vermin. R. 28. (103)

385. STATEMENTS OF CLERK'S ACCOUNTS, DISTRICT AND CIRCUIT COURTS, Apr. 10, 1857 - Dec. 31, 1860. Showing date, amount earned, nature of misdemeanor committed, and name of offender; each account is subscribed and sworn to before the judge. Filed chronologically. (Never.) 3 x 9 loose papers, 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 39. R. 28. (99)

386. CLERK'S BLOTTER, Jan. 2, 1912 - Dec. 31, 1927. Record of all fees paid to clerk for official services performed by him. (Seldom, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 vols. (6), 6 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (104)

387. CASH BOOKS, Oct. 1, 1926 to date. Record of receipts, showing date money received, from whom, for what, case number, moneys deposited to credit of court, clerk's fees and deposits therefor in cases other than bankruptcy, bankruptcy deposits, miscellaneous earnings of clerk, naturalization fees, and money not otherwise accounted for; also shows record of disbursement of these funds. (Daily, official.) 15 x 16 vols. (8), 1 ft. 2 in., on 2 steel shelves. Vault in R. 302. (500)

(Miscellaneous)

388. DEPOSITION OF ABRAHAM NEFF, July 11, 1871. Accounting of the U. S. postmaster at New Market, Va., prior to 1861 for all supplies and records in his custody as Confederate States Postmaster, at New Market, 1861 - 1865. (Never.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 loose papers,  $\frac{1}{8}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 39. R. 28. (224)

389. EXTRACTS FROM THE RECORDS OF THE SECRET SERVICE DIVISION OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT RE B. B. HALLECK, June 11 - Aug. 7, 1875. Daily and hourly observations of habits and activities of B. B. Halleck, an employee of the Dept. of the Treasury, Washington, D. C., and his connections with Wm. H. Ottman. Affidavits signed by individuals, entire report signed by John L. Sergeant and sworn to before Robt. G. Boswell, U. S. Commissioner. Papers seem to be originals; probably were used as exhibit in case of the U. S. Treasury v. Wm. H. Ottman. (Never.) 4 x 8 bundles, 2 in., in box No. 39. R. 28. (108)

390. STATEMENT OF JOSEPH M. HUMPHREY, DISBURSING AGENT AT RICHMOND, July 1 - Oct. 15, 1872. Itemized account of fuel, lights, and water used by Federal departments or offices in Richmond. (Never.) 4 x 12 loose papers,  $\frac{1}{8}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 39. Dirty, torn, damaged by rodents. R. 28. (101)

391. GRAND AND PETIT JURORS, May 14, 1869 - Nov. 29, 1871. Listing jurors summoned in confiscation cases. Entered chronologically. (Never.)



8 x 13 vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Binding broken, brittle, damaged by water, vermin, and careless handling. R. 28. (20)

392. JURY COMMISSIONER'S RECORD, Mar. 1889 - 1890. Showing names and residences of jurors and dates of service. Entered alphabetically by county. (Never.) 8 x  $12\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{8}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Binding broken, damaged by vermin. R. 28. (21)

393. RECORD OF BONDS, Jan. 25, 1899 - Mar. 26, 1924. Record of original bonds showing style of case, names of principal and surety, and amount, date, and condition of bond; includes bonds of trustees, receivers, assignees, and referees. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 14 x 18 vol., 1 in., on steel shelf. Vault in R. 339. (23)

394. RECEIPTS FOR PAPERS BORROWED BY ATTORNEYS, Dec. 12, 1869 - June 1870. Showing title of paper and signature of counsel borrowing paper from the district court. (Never.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x  $13\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Binding broken, damaged by rodents. R. 28. (25)

395. MISCELLANEOUS COURT PAPERS, Sept. 3, 1858 - Mar. 10, 1898. Subpoenas for witnesses, petitions for mandamuses, affidavits, accounts of trustees, judgments, pleas, bonds, answers, demurrers, orders of court in ex parte proceedings, bench warrants, indictments, briefs of evidence, fieri facias, scire facias, pay of witnesses and jurors, and transcripts of records in cases of all kinds. No case numbers shown. (Never.) 4 x  $9\frac{1}{2}$  bundles, 9 ft., in closed wooden box No. 24. Brittle, dirty, torn, ink faded, damaged by water, vermin, rodents, careless handling, and on account of faulty containers. R. 28. (24)

396. JOURNAL, OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF CONSTRUCTION, May 3 - Sept. 30, 1886. Showing name of building, city, nature of expenditure, dates, value of labor expended, quantity of material, total expenditure, and progress report. (Never.) 12 x  $17\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., in closed wooden box No. 1. R. 28. (219)

397. RECORDS OF DOLLAR SAVINGS BANK, May 1, 1867 - Mar. 25, 1874. Bill books, cash books, books of stubs and blank certificates of deposit, deposit books, and general ledgers. (Never.) Various sized vols. (21), 3 ft. 10 in., in closed wooden box No. 1. Bindings broken. R. 28. (167, 168, 169, 170, 171)

398. LIST OF POLICYHOLDERS OF REVERTING FUND ASSURANCE ASSOCIATION, June 24, 1886 - July 7, 1892. Shows serial number of policy, name, address, and age of policyholder, date of policy, amount and kind of policy, monthly dues, names of beneficiaries, and name of person to whom reverting fund is paid. (Never.)  $7\frac{1}{2}$  x  $12\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 3. R. 28. (172)

399. LIST OF CLAIMS OF BANK OF VIRGINIA, June 29, 1871 - Apr. 30, 1882. Shows claims existing at time bank closed, amounts paid on claims, dates paid, per cent of money paid, and, in some instances, attorneys' fees. (Never.) 8 x  $12\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 3. R. 28. (173)



400. JOURNAL OF D. C. MAYO AND COMPANY, BANKRUPT, Jan. 1 - Nov. 21, 1872. Record of accounts showing date, title of account, amounts of debits and credits, explanations of entries, and amount of each item. (Never.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 3. R. 28. (174)

401. RECORDS OF THE PIEDMONT AND ARLINGTON LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, 1872 - 1880; Jan. 27, 1898 - May 24, 1899. Check book, bill book, and index to policy register. (Never.) Various sized vols. (5), 8 in., in closed wooden box No. 3. Bindings broken, damaged by vermin. R. 28. (175, 176, 181)

402. CASHIER'S STATEMENTS OF BANK OF PHILIPPI, Apr. 23, 1857 - Jan. 1, 1864. Daily financial statement of bank showing bills of circulation, bills receivable, capital stock, contingent fund, deposits, cash on hand, amount due from banks, exchanges, and incidental expenses; probably Philippi, W. Va. (Never.)  $8\frac{1}{4}$  x 13 vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 3. R. 28. (177)

403. CASH BOOK OF VIRGINIA OIL COMPANY, June 1, 1883 - Dec. 5, 1885. Showing date, amounts of debits and credits, title of account, explanation, amount of each item, and balance forwarded at end of each day. (Never.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 3. R. 28. (178)

404. STOCKHOLDERS' LIST OF THE GRANITE STATE PROVIDENT ASSOCIATION, Nov. 5, 1891 - Dec. 15, 1892. Showing date of series, date written, name and address of stockholder, class of stock, number of certificate, number of shares, dues, loan fund, expense fund, remarks, and payments. (Never.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 3. Binding broken. R. 28. (179)

405. LIST OF CLAIMS, FARMERS BANK, June 22, 1871 - Dec. 6, 1876. Shows claims by depositors and others existing at time bank closed, amounts paid on claims, dates paid, per cent of money paid, and, in some instances, attorneys' fees. (Never.) 8 x  $12\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 3. R. 28. (180)

406. STUBS OF DIVIDEND WARRANTS AGAINST BELL, PACE, LAVENDER, AND COMPANY, BANKRUPT, Apr. 24, 1874. Stubs of dividend warrants issued to creditors by assignee of Bell, Pace, Lavender, and Company, bankrupt, showing name and residence of creditor, amount of debt admitted, amount of dividend warrant, dated receipt, and signature of creditor or his attorney. Entered numerically. (Never.)  $14\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 vol.,  $\frac{1}{8}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. R. 28. (189)

407. LEDGER OF R. H. MOSS AND BROTHERS, Sept. 4, 1857 - Dec. 1, 1866. Single entry ledger, showing title of account, date, explanation, and debit and credit entries. (Never.) 8 x 13 vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 3. R. 28. (190)

408. LEDGER OF W. E. McMILLAN, BANKRUPT, Nov. 25, 1911 - May 16, 1914. Showing account number, date, item, folio, and amounts of debit, credit,



and balance. Entered alphabetically. (Never.)  $7\frac{1}{2}$  x  $11\frac{1}{2}$  loose-leaf book, 2 in., in closed wooden box No. 8. R. 28. (191)

409. BANKRUPTCY PAPERS OF CATAGINI AND COMPANY, Oct. 1, 1901 - Mar. 5, 1904. Bills, sales slips, and invoices, showing names of concerns purchasing or selling goods, dates of purchases or sales, kind of goods, and costs. (Never.) 3 x 5 papers filed on wire, 3 ft. 7 in., in closed wooden box No. 7. Dirty, torn. R. 28. (192)

410. RECORDS OF AMERICAN HOME BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, FORMERLY LINCOLN NATIONAL BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, Oct. 20, 1891 - Jan. 31, 1902. Include indexes, membership ledgers, stockholders' minute books, personal memorandum book, general ledger, account ledger, journal, interest account book, stock day book, stock withdrawal register, petty cash day book, cash receipt books, cash disbursement book, rent journal, book of accounts with agents, roll book of local collectors, and stock certificate stubs; also correspondence, cancelled checks, cancelled stock certificates, reports, trial balances, and bank statements. In 1894, the name Lincoln National Building and Loan Association was changed to American Home Building and Loan Association. The change in name, however, was not made on all of the books which continued to be used. (Never.) Various sized vols. (81), 20 ft. 6 in., in closed wooden boxes Nos. 1, 3, 7. R. 28. (193- 218)

411. ACCOUNT BOOK, UNIDENTIFIED OWNERSHIP, Jan. 1, 1863 - Sept. 30, 1865. Contains lists of articles sold, amounts, names of persons or concerns for which sold, commissions earned, and taxes deducted for Commonwealth of Virginia. Appears to be an account book of a commission merchant. (Never.) 9 x 14 vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 39. Binding broken, damaged by vermin. R. 28. (182)

412. DAY BOOK, UNIDENTIFIED OWNERSHIP, Aug. 26, 1903 - Mar. 1, 1904. Shows date, title of account, items charged, and amounts. (Never.)  $6\frac{1}{2}$  x  $15\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., in closed wooden box No. 3. R. 28. (183)

413. MEMBERSHIP RECORD, UNIDENTIFIED OWNERSHIP, Apr. 5, 1893 - July 30, 1894. Shows date of certificate and of issue, number of shares, class of stock, amount of monthly dues, name and address of member, name and address of local agent, and remarks. Indexed. (Never.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x  $12\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 3. R. 28. (184)

414. CHECK BOOK, UNIDENTIFIED OWNERSHIP, Mar. 9, 1885 - July 21, 1891. Stubs show dates, names of payees, amounts, and explanations. (Never.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 3. R. 28. (185)

415. CASH BOOK, UNIDENTIFIED OWNERSHIP, 1881 - 1882. Apparently book-keeping record of debit and credit accounts. (Never.) 8 x 13 vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Binding broken, damaged by vermin. R. 28. (186)

416. LEDGER NO. 1, UNIDENTIFIED OWNERSHIP, 1875 - 1876. Gives individual entries under debit and credit. Indexed. (Never.) 9 x 14 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Damaged by vermin. R. 28. (187)



417. DAY BOOK, UNIDENTIFIED OWNERSHIP, Jan. 1873 - Mar. 1875. Shows items of receipts and disbursements, debtors, creditors, amounts, and explanations. (Never.)  $6\frac{1}{2}$  x  $15\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Binding broken, cover missing, pages loose, dirty. R. 28. (188)

(Correspondence)

418. CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, June 16, 1857 - Feb. 2, 1861. With Solicitor of the Treasury, First Auditor of the Treasury, and Secretary of the Department of the Interior, concerning instructions given and emolument returns of clerk. Many letters have date received or mailed written on outside. Filed chronologically. (Never.) 3 x 9 loose papers, 3 in., in closed wooden box No. 39. R. 28. (109)

419. LETTERS RECEIVED, Oct. 1, 1898 - Feb. 24, 1899. By clerk from persons in Virginia, Washington, D. C., Ohio, and New York, concerning cases, papers, petitions, changes of titles, appointments, orders and terms of court, and real estate. (Never.) 9 x 11 loose-leaf book, 1 in., in closed wooden boxes Nos. 21 and 26. R. 28. (112, 220)

420. LETTERS SENT, Oct. 10, 1898 - Feb. 11, 1901. Carbon copies of clerk's letters to persons throughout Virginia and at Washington, D. C., relative to law, appointment, advice, and other matters. Indexed. (Never.) 10 x 12 vol., 1 in., in closed wooden box No. 4. Ink faded. R. 28. (110)

421. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE, 1919 to date. Of clerk and deputy clerk with bureaus of Federal government, attorneys, and other clerks. Filed alphabetically by name of correspondent. (Frequently, official.) 8 x 12 folders, 12 ft., in 4 drawers of wooden filing case and 5 drawers of steel filing case. R. 302 and vault in R. 339. (111, 502)

Probation and Parole Officer  
Post Office Bldg., 10th and Main Sts.

This office was established at Richmond on March 1, 1937, with jurisdiction over the Alexandria and Richmond areas of the Eastern District. Previously all cases were handled by the probation officer at Norfolk, but papers pertaining to the areas now administered by the Richmond office have been transferred from Norfolk to Richmond. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on June 14, 1937.

422. PROBATION CASES, CLOSED, Apr. 16, 1934 to date. Proposed plan for probation, investigative report of probation officer, personal history of probationer, monthly reports of probationer, correspondence of probation officer with probation adviser, probationer, and employer, and case history of probationer. Arranged numerically. (Frequently, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 12 folders, 2 ft., in 2 drawers of steel filing case. R. 322. (762)



423. INDEX TO PROBATION CASES, CLOSED, Apr. 16, 1934 to date. Showing name of probationer, date case was received, date of expiration of case, file number, personal data, date and place of offense, and names and addresses of persons interested in the case. Arranged alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 8 folded cards, 1 in., in drawer of wooden card cabinet. R. 322. (772)

424. PROBATION CASES, Apr. 2, 1935 to date. Proposed plan for probation, investigative report of probation officer, personal history of probationer, monthly reports of probationer, correspondence of probation officer with probationer and employer, and case history of probationer. Arranged numerically. (Frequently, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 12 folders, 10 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 322. (763)

425. INDEX TO PROBATION CASES, Apr. 2, 1935 to date. Showing name of probationer, date case was received, date of expiration of probation, file number, personal data, previous convictions, offense for which tried, date and place of offense, name and address of officer in charge before trial, name and address of employer, and inclusive dates of employment. Arranged alphabetically. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 8 folded cards, 2 ft. 4 in., in file on steel cabinet. R. 322. (773)

426. PAROLE CASES, CLOSED, Sept. 14, 1936 to date. Admission summary, proposed parole plan, investigative report of probation officer, monthly reports of parolee, and case history of parolee. Arranged numerically. (Frequently, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 12 folders, 2 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 322. (766)

427. INDEX TO PAROLE CASES, CLOSED, Sept. 14, 1936 to date. Showing name of parolee, date case was received, date case expired, file number, personal data, date and place of offense, and names and addresses of persons interested in the case. Arranged alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 8 folded cards,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in drawer of wooden card cabinet. R. 322. (770)

428. PAROLE CASES, Sept. 24, 1936 to date. Admission summary, proposed parole plan, and monthly reports of parolee. Arranged numerically. (Frequently, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 12 folders, 5 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 322. (764)

429. INDEX TO PAROLE CASES, Sept. 24, 1936 to date. Showing name of parolee, date case was received, date of expiration of parole, parolee's file number, personal data, previous convictions, offense for which tried, date and place of offense, name and address of officer in charge before trial, name and address of institution from which released on parole, name and address of employer, inclusive dates of employment, and name and address of parole adviser. Arranged alphabetically. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 8 folded cards, 6 in., in file on steel cabinet. R. 322. (768)

430. CONDITIONAL RELEASE CASES, CLOSED, July 23, 1936 to date. Admission summary, proposed plan for conditional release, investigative report of probation officer, monthly report of releasee, and history of



releasee. Arranged numerically. (Seldom, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 12 folders, 2 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 322. (767)

431. INDEX TO CONDITIONAL RELEASEE CASES, CLOSED, July 23, 1936 to date. Records name of conditional releasee, date case was received, date of expiration of case, file number, personal data, date and place of offense, and names and addresses of persons interested in the case. Arranged alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 8 cards,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in drawer of wooden card cabinet. R. 322. (769)

432. CONDITIONAL RELEASE CASES, PENDING, Dec. 23, 1936 to date. Admission summary, proposed plan for conditional release, investigative report of probation officer, and monthly report of releasee. Eligibility for conditional release is based solely on good behavior. Arranged numerically. (Frequently, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 12 folders,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 322. (765)

433. INDEX TO CONDITIONAL RELEASE CASES, PENDING, Dec. 23, 1936 to date. Showing name of conditional releasee, date case received, date of expiration of conditional release, file number, personal data, previous convictions, offense for which tried, date and place of offense, name and address of officer in charge before trial, name and address of institution which granted conditional release, address of releasee, name and address of employers, inclusive dates of employment, and name and address of adviser. Arranged alphabetically. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 8 folded cards, 3 in., in file on steel cabinet. R. 322. (771)

434. INVESTIGATIONS, Apr. 2, 1936 to date. Reports by probation officer on plans for probation, and conditional release or parole from penal institution. Investigative findings are reported to court in case of probation and to parole officers of penal institutions in case of parole or conditional release. Arranged alphabetically. (Frequently, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 12 folders, 6 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 322. (760)

435. GENERAL FILE, Mar. 1, 1937 to date. Correspondence with the U. S. marshal, probation officers at Norfolk and Roanoke, district judges, parole supervisors, executives of penal institutions, and the Dept. of Justice; also expense vouchers, msc. correspondence, and instructions from Washington. Arranged chronologically and by name of correspondent. (Frequently, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 12 folders, 4 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 332. (761)

Referee in Bankruptcy  
Mutual Bldg. 9th and Main Sts.

This office was established on July 1, 1898. Original papers of closed cases are sent to the clerk of the district court at Richmond for filing. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been



sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on December 1, 1936.

436. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, May 26, 1932 to date. Showing number of cases, name of bankrupt, names of attorney and trustee, and dates of proceedings before referee. These books are the private property of the referee, and will be destroyed when the cases are closed. Indexed. (Daily, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2} \times 16\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (3), 6 in., on desk. R. 1138. (65)

437. BANKRUPTCY CASES, PENDING, Sept. 27, 1928 to date. Petition, trustee's report, petition for discharge, proof of claim, and orders of court; the papers are filed in the clerk's office when cases are closed. Arranged alphabetically. (Daily, official.)  $3\frac{1}{2} \times 9$  bundles, 30 ft., in 48 steel folded document holders. R. 1138. (66)

United States Commissioner  
American Bldg., 10th and Main Sts.

This office was established in Richmond about 1793. Original papers of closed cases are sent to the clerk of the district court at Richmond for filing. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on January 12, 1937.

438. COMMISSIONER'S DOCKETS, INACTIVE, Jan. 20, 1915 - Oct. 31, 1935. Record of proceedings in each case, showing names of defendant and complainant, marshal's return on writ, reports on and disposition of case, amount of bond, name of bondsman, day defendant was committed to jail, and fees of commissioner. Indexed. (Never.) 9 x 15 vols. (16), 2 ft. 6 in., on box in corner. R. 218. (568)

439. DOCKET BOOK, ACTIVE, Nov. 1, 1935 to date. Record of proceedings in each case, showing names of defendant and complainant, marshal's return, reports on case and disposition of same, amount of bond, bondsman's name and address, day defendant was committed to jail, and fees of commissioner. (Daily, official.) 9 x 14 loose-leaf book, 6 in., on desk. R. 218. (91)

PETERSBURG

United States Commissioner  
Leigh Bldg., Sycamore St.

This office was established in Petersburg in 1920. The commissioner resigned in 1925. His successor was not appointed until 1930. The



commissioner assists in the handling of cases arising from violation of the laws of the neighboring reformatory camp. No records have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on November 9, 1937.

440. COMMISSIONER'S CORRESPONDENCE, Feb. 18, 1931 to date. With U. S. attorneys, U. S. marshals, and special investigators relative to defendants who have appeared before the commissioner; also recommendations to U. S. attorneys to relieve poor convicts of payment of fines after they have served required time in a Federal prison. Filed alphabetically by name of defendant. (Frequently, official.) 9 x 12 loose sheets, 1 ft. 2 in., in 6 letter boxes. Rs. 10, 12. (43)

441. COMMISSIONER'S DOCKET, Feb. 18, 1931 to date. Showing district, division, names of plaintiff and defendant, itemized account of commissioner's fees, name of commissioner, date, name of court officer making complaint, description of complaint, date complaint was approved, to whom warrant was issued, proceedings in case, disposition, list of witnesses, and name of surety or bondsman. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 9 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 $\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 9 in., in desk. Rs. 10, 12. (44)

Old Circuit Court Records

(General)

442. JUDGE'S DOCKET, Sept. 1871 - 1876. Record of law and equity cases giving case number, pro guarantee and pro defendant items, names of parties, kind of action, and court proceedings; also record of reports taken out of court by attorneys in 1882. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 8 x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Dirty, ink faded, damaged by vermin and careless handling. Basement. (130)

443. COURT DOCKET, Sept. 1871 - 1876. Record of law and equity cases giving case number, pro guarantee and pro defendant items, style of case, names of witnesses for plaintiff and defendant, date case docketed, number on docket of last term, last order, and court proceedings. (Never.) 8 x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Binding broken, damaged by vermin, ink faded. Basement. (13)

444. LAW, CHANCERY, AND CRIMINAL DOCKET, Jan. 1892 - June 1901. Shows the case number, names of attorneys, number of sections of statutes violated, dated account giving amount received and disbursed, abstract of costs, and dated memoranda of reports filed and court proceedings. Indexed. (Seldom.) 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vol., 3 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. Basement. (90)



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURTS

WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

HARRISONBURG

Clerk

Federal Bldg., Main and Elizabeth Streets

The Federal court was established at Harrisonburg in 1871. The records in the custody of the deputy clerk include district court records transferred to Harrisonburg from Staunton. After the Confederate States district court for the western district was abolished, no Federal court was held in Virginia west of the Blue Ridge until 1871. Since the court was established at Harrisonburg, many records stored in the attic of the Federal Building have been destroyed by rats. No records had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on June 22, 1937.

Old Circuit Court Records

(General)

442. JUDGE'S DOCKET, Sept. 1871 - 1876. Record of law and equity cases giving case number, pro quaerente and pro defendente items, names of parties, kinds of action, and court proceedings; also record of papers taken out of court by attorneys in 1882. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 8 x 12 $\frac{3}{4}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Dirty, ink faded, damaged by vermin and careless handling. Basement. (130)

443. COURT DOCKET, Sept. 1871 - 1876. Record of law and equity cases giving case number, pro quaerente and pro defendente items, style of case, names of witnesses for plaintiff and defendant, date case docketed, number on docket of last term, last order, and court proceedings. (Never.) 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 vol., 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Binding broken, damaged by vermin, ink faded. Basement. (2)

444. LAW, CHANCERY, AND CRIMINAL DOCKET, June 1892 - June 1901. Showing case number, names of attorneys, number of section of statutes violated, dated account giving amount received and disbursed, abstract of costs, and dated memoranda of papers filed and court proceedings. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 $\frac{3}{4}$  x 18 vol., 2 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. Basement. (90)



445. LAW AND CRIMINAL ORDER BOOK, Dec. 20, 1897 - Nov. 15, 1911. Showing names of plaintiff and defendant, order allowing amendments to pleadings, order summoning jurors and witnesses, order of payment for services, verdict of jury, and judgment of court, in civil cases; and, in criminal cases, name of defendant, plea of defendant, order summoning jurors and witnesses, order of payment for their services, judgment, and sentence. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 13 x 18 vol., 3 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. Basement. (96)

446. CIVIL DOCKETS, Dec. 1901 - June 1912. Showing case number, style of cause, kind of action, date, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, names of witnesses, and court proceedings. Information in these two books is identical; one is styled judge's docket. Indexed. (Never.) 12½ x 18 vols. (2), 4 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Basement. (3)

447. LAW ORDER BOOK, Dec. 6, 1904 - June 6, 1906. Showing names of plaintiff and defendant, order allowing amendments to pleadings, verdict of jury, judgment of court, order summoning jurors and witnesses, and order of payment for their services. This book was formerly used as a civil docket for the district court. Indexed. (Never.) 13 x 18 vol., 2½ in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. Basement. (97)

448. LAW CASES, CLOSED, 1842 - 1905. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict, judgment, and bill of exceptions; papers show no case numbers. Arranged alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 3½ x 9 loose papers, 6 ft. 11 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, damaged by rodents. Basement. (64)

(Equity)

449. SUPPLEMENTAL EQUITY DOCKET IN CASES OF BALTIMORE BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION OF BALTIMORE CITY, 1901 - 1904. Dependent and ancillary bills of the association and its receivers against various defendants in the Western District of Va. for foreclosure of deeds of trust or mortgages; docket shows dates, types of papers, clerk's fees, and other costs, in 43 cases. Indexed. (Never.) 11½ x 17 vol., ½ in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin and careless handling. Basement. (44)

450. CHANCERY ORDER BOOKS, Mar. 29, 1871 - Nov. 15, 1911. Containing decrees in chancery cases signed by judge, including order for temporary injunction, restraining order, and order for continuance or dismissal of case. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 16 and 12½ x 18 vols. (2), 5 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Bindings broken, damaged by vermin, brittle, ink faded, pages loose. Basement. (102)

451. CHANCERY CASES, CLOSED, 1833 - 1903. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibits for complainant, testimony and exhibits for defendant, testimony and exhibits in rebuttal, opinion, and decree; papers show no case numbers. Arranged alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 3½ x 9 loose papers, 13 ft. 3 in., on 2 enclosed steel shelves. Brittle, dirty, damaged by rodents. Basement. (71)



452. CHANCERY CASES, CLOSED, CIRCUIT COURT, Dec. 12, 1882 - April 1, 1912. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibits for complainant and defendant, testimony and exhibits in rebuttal, opinion, and decree. Arranged chronologically. (Never.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers, 14 ft., in 12 steel folded document holders. Dirty, ink faded. Anteroom, clerk's office. (69)

(Criminal)

453. JUDGE'S CRIMINAL DOCKET, Sept. 1871 - Mar. 17, 1876. Showing case number, names of attorneys, style of cause, date of indictment, and court proceedings. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $7\frac{3}{4}$  x 13 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Ink faded, damaged by water and vermin, yellowed. Basement. (1)

(United States Commissioner)

454. COMMISSIONER'S DOCKET, May 1, 1897 - Nov. 1901. Record of 41 cases, showing case number, names of commissioner, plaintiff, and defendant, charge, papers issued in cases, court proceedings, and fees of commissioner and marshal; each case has an attached sheet showing memoranda and fee due; copies of court rules governing hearings before U. S. commissioners are pasted in front and back of volume. Indexed. (Never.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x  $13\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Basement. (46)

455. COMMISSIONER'S RECORD AND ACCOUNTS, 1885 - 1897. Accounts of fees and proceedings at hearings before U. S. commissioners. Indexed. (Never.) Various sized vols. (7), 6 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Bindings broken, damaged by vermin. Basement. (45)

#### District Court Records

(General)

456. PROCESS BOOK NO. 2, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, Dec. 1902 - Apr. 1924. Records case number, names of parties to suit, names of attorneys, date process was issued, name of person designated for service, date return to be made, return of marshal or deputy, and date case was docketed; processes issued in both courts are entered concurrently. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vol., 2 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. Basement. (77)

457. LAW, CHANCERY, AND CRIMINAL DOCKETS, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, Sept. 1871 - Mar. 1928. Showing case number, names of attorneys, number of section of Federal statutes violated, amounts received and disbursed with date opposite each entry, abstract of costs, and dated memoranda of papers filed and court proceedings; originally separate vols. were used for circuit and district court, but later the entries for both courts were made in the same vols. 5 vols. indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 and  $12\frac{3}{4}$  x 18 vols. (6), 10 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin and careless handling. Basement. (88)



458. LAW, CHANCERY, AND CRIMINAL DOCKET, Apr. 1871 - Nov. 1902. Showing case number, names of attorneys, number of section of statutes violated, amounts received and disbursed with date opposite each entry, abstract of costs, and dated memoranda of papers filed and court proceedings. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vol., 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin, leather torn. Basement. (89)

459. LAW AND CRIMINAL ORDER BOOKS, Mar. 29, 1871 - Nov. 26, 1900. Showing names of plaintiff and defendant, order allowing amendments to pleadings, order summoning jurors and witnesses, order of payment for services, verdict of jury, and judgment of court, in civil cases; and, in criminal cases, name and plea of defendant, order summoning jurors and witnesses, order of payment for their services, judgment, and sentence. On first page of the vol. dated July 1, 1893 - Nov. 26, 1900, appears a copy of the appointment, with oath, of Andrew J. Montague as U. S. attorney for the Western district. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (7), 1 ft. 6 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin and heat. Basement. (98)

460. EXECUTION DOCKET NO. 1, 1871 - 1878. Showing style of case, names of parties, date of fieri facias, date returnable, date received for service, amounts of principal of judgment, interest, and credit, date levied, designation of property, date of sale, amount realized, marshal's cost, and other expenses; shows in some instances the marshal's return and other disposition of process; covers civil and criminal cases. Indexed. (Never.) 15 x 17 vol., 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Basement. (128)

461. JUDGMENT DOCKET, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, Oct. 1871 - Oct. 1926. Showing date of judgment, date docketed, names of judgment creditor and debtor, amounts of debt, interest, and costs, reference to page number where court order awarding judgment is entered, how judgment was satisfied, and date of satisfaction; covers judgments in civil and criminal matters. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vol., 3 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Binding broken, pages loose, damaged by vermin and careless handling. Basement. (104)

462. JUDGE'S COURT DOCKET, Dec. 1901 - Oct. 1933. Showing case number, names of attorneys, kind of action and date instituted, and dates of court proceedings; covers criminal, law, equity, civil, bankruptcy, and msc. cases. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 13 x 18 vol., 3 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. Basement. (80)

463. MINUTE BOOKS, STAUNTON, Sept. 13, 1824 - Oct. 5, 1860. Record of court proceedings with opinions or continuations, oaths of attorneys, names of jurors, commissions of judges, terms of court, copies of papers in cases, and abstracts of fees paid to jurors and witnesses; court was held in Augusta County Courthouse at Staunton. (Never.) 12 x 18 and 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 vols. (2), 4 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Bindings broken, damaged by vermin. Basement. (5)

464. MINUTE BOOK, May 23, 1861 - Mar. 11, 1862. Records court proceedings of Confederate District Court. The first part of book records U. S.



District Court proceedings. (Never.) 12 x 18 vol., 1 in., in closed steel shelf. Binding broken, damaged by vermin. Basement. (23)

465. INDEX TO JUDGMENT DOCKET, n.d. Showing names of plaintiff and defendant, and page number of docket. Entered alphabetically. (Never.)  $7\frac{1}{4}$  x  $11\frac{3}{4}$  vol.,  $1\frac{1}{12}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Binding broken, ink faded, damaged by careless handling. Basement. (9)

466. UNIDENTIFIED INDEX, n.d. Showing names of plaintiff and defendant, page number, docket, and case number. Entered alphabetically. (Never.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 vol.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Bindings broken, damaged by careless handling. Basement. (10)

467. REVENUE RECORDS, Apr. 2, 1847 - May 14, 1860; Mar. 25, 1872 - Oct. 15, 1879. Record of copyrights issued, attested by clerk of court. Although the binding carries the name of Harrisonburg, the older records were made in Staunton and the older part of the volume appears to have been inserted, as the paper is of different texture and color. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 12 x 17 vol., 2 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin, ink faded. Basement. (48)

468. RESOLUTIONS OF THE BAR AND U. S. COURT OFFICERS, 1852. Resolutions by the Virginia bar and U. S. court officials, with response of Judge Brockenbrough, on the death of Briscoe G. Baldwin, Judge of the Supreme Court of Appeals for the Commonwealth of Virginia. (Never.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x  $8\frac{1}{4}$  loose papers,  $1\frac{1}{12}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Dirty, ink faded. Basement. (32)

469. ACCOUNT BOOK, 1783 - 1786. Unidentified account book, probably an exhibit, showing items, such as hardware, cooking utensils, groceries, meats, and dry goods. (Never.) 7 x  $15\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by water and careless handling, ink faded, discolored, practically illegible. Basement. (26)

470. UNIDENTIFIED LETTER BOOK, EXHIBIT, Aug. 19, 1890 - May 25, 1891. Carbon copies of letters written to subscribers and stockholders of an unknown company in regard to the affairs of the company. Indexed. (Never.) 10 x 12 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Binding broken, damaged by water, ink faded, practically illegible. Basement. (27)

471. WITNESS BOOK AND PETIT JURY LISTS, Apr. 1827 - May 1861; May 1864; Oct. 1860; Jan. 1864. Showing names of parties, names of witnesses, court term, number of days of service, mileage, amounts spent, and names of payees. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 11 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Ink faded, paper yellowed. Basement. (107)

472. JURORS' ATTENDANCE BOOK, 1879 - 1895. Showing names and residences of grand and petit jurors, and dates of attendance at court, number of days of traveling, per diem rates, number of miles traveled one way, amount paid for mileage, total amounts paid for per diem and mileage, cities in which court was held, dates of terms, and recapitulations of grand totals of amounts paid grand and petit jurors shown separately for each city; covers



cases at Abingdon, Danville, Lynchburg, and Harrisonburg. Indexed. (Never.) 15 x 17 vol., 1½ in., on enclosed steel shelf. Basement. (127)

473. WITNESS ATTENDANCE BOOKS, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, Feb. 25, 1879 - Sept. 2, 1895. Showing name and residence of witness, days and dates of attendance, days on which witness testified, amounts paid for per diem and mileage, and total amount expended for each term; covers cases at Abingdon, Danville, Lynchburg, and Harrisonburg. Indexed. (Never.) Various sized vols. (4), 8 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Basement. (126)

474. WITNESS ATTENDANCE BOOK, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, May 1881 - June 1912. For description see entry 473. Covers cases at Harrisonburg only. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11½ x 16 vol. 1½ in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. Basement. (106)

475. RECORD OF WITNESSES, 1875. Showing names of witnesses, mileage, and days spent in court; possibly memoranda kept by the clerk to be transferred to the cash book. Fly-tabbed alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 6 x 12 vol., 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Ink faded, damaged by vermin. Basement. (75)

476. RECORD OF CASE PAPERS BORROWED FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE, Sept. 1873 - May 1880. Listing name of person borrowing papers from clerk's office, style of cause, date taken, and date returned; papers were removed by attorneys, assignees, deputies of court, etc. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 8 x 13 vol., ½ in., on enclosed steel shelf. Dirty, binding broken, damaged by water, vermin, and careless handling. Basement. (7)

477. RECEIPTS FOR CASE PAPERS BORROWED FROM COURT BY ATTORNEYS AND OTHERS, Jan. 30, 1880 - Mar. 22, 1905. Showing title of case, signatures of persons borrowing papers from court, and date papers were removed; there is no record of their return. (Never.) 3¼ x 5 bundle, ½ in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by weather. Basement. (8)

478. CIVIL DOCKET, Sept. 1824 - May 1846. Showing names of attorneys, term of court, date, kind of action, amount sued for, judgment rendered, and entries in cases of continuation; covers law and equity cases. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 8 x 12½ vol., ¼ in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by water, discolored, ink faded. Basement. (11)

479. LAW AND EQUITY DOCKET, Apr. 11, 1871 - July 21, 1882. Records case number and title, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, accounts for both parties showing dates amounts received and disbursed, abstract of costs, memorandum of papers filed, and court proceedings. This volume was later used as common law order book for U. S. Circuit Court. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 15½ x 17 vol., 1½ in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. Basement. (86)

480. LAW AND EQUITY DOCKET, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, July 1, 1907 - Dec. 9, 1926. For description see entry 479. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 15½ x 17 vols. (2), 4 in., on open steel shelf. Anteroom, clerk's office. (87)



481. LAW DOCKETS, Oct. 28, 1926 to date. Showing case number and title, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, dated accounts showing amounts received and disbursed, abstract of costs, dates papers were filed, and court proceedings. Indexed. (Older records, rarely; recent records, frequently, official.) 15 x 15 $\frac{3}{4}$  and 13 x 18 vols. (2), 3 in., on open steel shelf. Anteroom, clerk's office. (85)

482. DOCKET OF LAW CASES FOLLOWING BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS, July 21, 1871 - Sept. 4, 1875. Showing case number, cause of action, names of parties, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, papers filed, and dated orders of court. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 11 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by careless handling. Basement. (91)

483. CLERKS' MEMORANDUM BOOKS, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, Jan. 31, 1843 - Apr. 17, 1861; Sept. 1 and 17, 1864; Mar. 29, 1871 - Dec. 21, 1922; June 26, 1925; May 2, 1928. Showing names of parties, name of plaintiff's attorney, name of U. S. attorney, summons, date issued, name of marshal or deputy designated for service, amount of damages, and other items, in civil and law cases; the vol. for 1874 was later used as an account book by the deputy clerk of circuit and district courts. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (11), 8 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Ink faded, damaged by vermin. Basement. (74)

484. LAW ORDER BOOK, Mar. 29, 1871 - June 18, 1883. Showing names of plaintiff and defendant, order allowing amendments to pleadings, verdict of jury, judgment of court, order summoning jurors and witnesses, and order of payment for services; page 1 gives copy of the appointment of Judge Alexander L. Rives, signed by President U. S. Grant and Secretary Hamilton Fish. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 16 vol., 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin, leather torn. Basement. (100)

485. LAW ORDER BOOKS, Feb. 7, 1899 - Jan. 9, 1919; Aug. 21, 1921 to date. Showing names of plaintiff and defendant, order summoning jurors and witnesses, order of payment for services, judgment of court, order allowing amendment to pleading, and verdict of jury, in civil cases; and, in criminal cases, name of defendant, order allowing amendment to pleading, order summoning jurors and witnesses, order to pay jurors and witnesses for services, judgment, and sentence. Indexed. (Older records seldom; recent records, frequently, official.) Various sized vols. (2), and loose-leaf books (2), 9 in., on 4 open steel shelves. Vols. damaged by vermin, bindings broken. Anteroom, clerk's office. (95)

486. LAW EXECUTION BOOK, Sept. 13, 1824 - Nov. 3, 1855; Oct. 10, 1857 - Feb. 22, 1861; June 6, 1874. Shows kind of action, names of parties, amount of suit, costs, date of writ, return day, to whom delivered, and marshal's return. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 8 x 12 $\frac{1}{4}$  and 10 x 15 $\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (2), 1 $\frac{1}{4}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin, ink faded, discolored. Basement. (13, 14)

487. LAW CASES, CLOSED, 1842 - 1900. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict,



judgment, and bill of exceptions. Many papers were destroyed by rats while stored in the attic. Arranged alphabetically. (Seldom, official.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers, 4 ft. 9 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Dirty, brittle, damaged by rodents. Basement. (65)

488. LAW CASES, CLOSED, June 17, 1931 to date. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict, judgment, and bill of exceptions. Arranged numerically; gaps because some cases still in pending case files. (Frequently, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 folders, 4 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Deputy clerk's office. (62)

489. WARRANTS IN DEBT AGAINST HADEN H. BELL, Nov. 29, 1841. Warrants were issued and executed and debtor committed to jail on same day; there are 26 separate warrants totaling \$208.65. (Never.)  $3\frac{1}{4}$  x 8 bundle,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Brittle, ink faded. Basement. (18)

490. LAW CASES, CLOSED, Jan. 10, 1926 - Oct. 31, 1934. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict, judgment, and bill of exceptions. Many case papers have been transferred to other courts in the Western District where trial was held. Arranged numerically. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers and  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 envelopes, 11 ft. 3 in., in 9 steel folded document holders. Anteroom, clerk's office. (63)

491. LAW CASES, PENDING, Sept. 1925 to date. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict, judgment, and bill of exceptions. Arranged numerically; gaps because some cases are in closed case files. (Daily, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 folders, 2 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Deputy clerk's office. (61)

(Equity)

492. CHANCERY RULE BOOK A, Apr. 13, 1871 - Nov. 8, 1917. Showing case number, names of parties to suit, names of attorneys, date process was issued, name of person designated for service, date return to be made, return of marshal or deputy, and date case was docketed. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 15 x  $19\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 3 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Ink faded, leather worn, damaged by vermin. Basement. (78)

493. EQUITY ORDER BOOK, July 22, 1935 to date. Containing decrees in chancery cases signed by the judge, including order for temporary injunction, restraining order, order for continuance or dismissal of case, and copy of order from the circuit court of appeals extending time for filing transcript of record. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $10\frac{1}{2}$  x  $11\frac{1}{2}$  loose-leaf book, 3 in., on open steel shelf. Anteroom, clerk's office. (101)

494. CHANCERY CASES, CLOSED, 1826 - 1884. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibits for complainant and defendant, testimony and exhibits in rebuttal, opinion, and decree. Many case papers were destroyed by rats while stored in the attic. Arranged



alphabetically. (Seldom, official.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers, 3 ft., on enclosed steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, damaged by rodents. Basement. (70)

495. CHANCERY SUIT FOLLOWING BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS, HARVEY TERRY ET ALS. V. CENTRAL BANK OF VIRGINIA, Sept. 1865 - Jan. 29, 1886. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony of complainant and defendant, testimony in rebuttal, opinion, and decree; each paper shows case number. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 bundles, 1 ft., on enclosed steel shelf. Brittle, dirty, torn, damaged by faulty containers. Basement. (111)

496. THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF BALTIMORE V. THE BANK OF THE VALLEY IN VIRGINIA, Mar. 29 - Sept. 29, 1871. Petitions of creditors of bank suing through a common plaintiff; these papers are in the possession of the district court for the Western District, but belong in the Eastern District, where some are filed in the basement of the post office at Richmond. Arranged numerically. (Never.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 bundle,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Dirty. Basement. (15)

497. CHANCERY CASES, CLOSED, Dec. 12, 1884 - Mar. 9, 1931. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibits for complainant and defendant, testimony and exhibits in rebuttal, opinion, and decree. Many case papers have been transferred to other courts in the Western District where trial was held. Arranged numerically. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers, 11 ft. 3 in., in 9 steel folded document holders. Anteroom, clerk's office. (68)

498. EQUITY CASES, CLOSED, June 24, 1926 to date. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibit for complainant and defendant, testimony and exhibits in rebuttal, opinion, and decree. Arranged numerically; gaps because some cases still in pending case files. (Daily, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 folders, 1 ft. 2 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Deputy clerk's office. (67)

499. EQUITY DOCKET, June 17, 1932 to date. Listing case number and title, names of attorneys for complainant and defendant, dated accounts showing amounts received and disbursed, abstract of costs, dates papers were filed, and proceedings. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $15\frac{3}{4}$  x 16 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Anteroom, clerk's office. (84)

500. EQUITY CASES, PENDING, Feb. 12, 1932 to date. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibits for complainant and defendant, testimony and exhibits in rebuttal, opinion, and decree. Arranged numerically; gaps because some cases are in closed case files. (Daily, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 folders, 1 ft. 6 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Deputy clerk's office. (66)

501. MINUTE BOOK, CENTRAL BANK OF VIRGINIA, Aug. 9, 1864 - Aug. 5, 1869. Exhibit in chancery, following bankruptcy, recording history of the bank from time organized, Feb. 1, 1853, until its bankruptcy in Sept. 1865; minutes signed by bank president, Nicholas K. Trout, who was also deputy clerk



of the district court and mayor of Staunton, show a list of assets in the hands of trustee of bank under deed of assignment executed Aug. 16, 1865, and a list of real and personal property and notes due the bank by individuals and corporations; also show that the books and assets were transferred to North Carolina and back to Staunton during the War for Southern Independence and that the minute book dating prior to Aug. 9, 1864, was burned in transit. Entered chronologically, (Seldom, official.) 9 x 13½ vol., 1 in., on open wooden shelf. Vault in anteroom, clerk's office. (112)

502. EQUITY EXHIBITS, CENTRAL BANK OF VIRGINIA, STAUNTON, Feb. 1, 1853 - Sept. 24, 1865. Ledgers, cash books, tellers' memo books, and blotters; to be destroyed on court order. Entered chronologically and alphabetically, (Never.) Various sized vols. (30), 12 ft., on floor. Bindings broken, damaged by careless handling. Basement. (131)

(Bankruptcy)

503. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, Aug. 16, 1867 - Mar. 7, 1908. Showing case number, names of bankrupt, attorneys, referee, and trustee, dated statement of cash received and disbursed, and dated memorandum of court proceedings; two vols. contain cases begun in Richmond in 1867 and transferred to Harrisonburg, Western District of Va., in 1871, because the bankrupts lived in the Western District. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (11), 2 ft., on enclosed steel shelf. Bindings broken, damaged by water, vermin, and careless handling. Basement. (79)

504. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, Oct. 1, 1907 to date. Showing case number, names of bankrupt, attorneys, referee, and trustee, dated statement of cash received and disbursed, and dated memorandum of court proceedings. Indexed. (Older records, seldom; current records, frequently, official.) 12½ x 17 vols. (3), 8 in., on 3 open steel shelves. Older vols. damaged by vermin, pages loose, covers torn. Anteroom, clerk's office. (81)

505. BANKRUPTCY ORDER BOOKS, Feb. 28, 1843 - Oct. 9, 1858; Mar. 29, 1871 - Aug. 4, 1903; Jan. 9, 1919 - July 23, 1928. Listing name of bankrupt, case number, order to show cause upon creditors' petitions, order of reference in judge's absence, order of adjudication, order appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, motion made by counsel, and order of discharge. 3 vols. indexed. (Older records, never; recent records, seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (4), 9½ in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin and careless handling, leather torn, ink faded. Basement. (17, 94)

506. BANKRUPTCY ORDER BOOK, July 24, 1928 to date. Showing name of bankrupt, case number, order to show cause upon creditors' petitions, order of reference in judge's absence, order of adjudication, order appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, motion of counsel, and order of discharge. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 10½ x 16½ vol., 4 in., on open steel shelf. Anteroom, clerk's office. (93)



507. BANKRUPTCY MOTION DOCKET, n.d. Showing name of bankrupt, type of motion, names of complainant, attorneys, and witnesses, dates of proceedings, and fees due. (Never.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 vol., 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. Basement. (16)

508. ORDERS OF REFERENCE IN BANKRUPTCY, Mar. 27, 1871 - Aug. 31, 1878. Numbered printed petitions for adjudication in bankruptcy showing names of petitioners, register, and counties, place of adjudication, and signature of judge conferring jurisdiction on the register. Entered chronologically. (Never.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x  $15\frac{3}{4}$  vol., 2 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Basement. (47)

509. BANKRUPTCY CASES, 1821 - 1910. Petitions for adjudication, appointments of assignees, petitions for sale of real estate, vouchers, list of property exempt and nonexempt, proofs of debt with and without security, petitions for discharge, and decrees of judge. Not completely arranged, as majority of the papers are to be destroyed pursuant to court order. (Never.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 bundles, 17 ft., on floor. Brittle, dirty, torn, ink faded, damaged by water and rodents. Basement. (19)

510. BANKRUPTCY CASES, CLOSED, May 12, 1909 - Oct. 21, 1915. Petitions, schedule, order of adjudication, notice to creditors, claims filed by creditors, petition to set aside homestead and poor debtor's exemptions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, report of receiver or trustee, report of referee, petition for discharge, and order of discharge. Arranged numerically, with gaps. (Seldom, official.) Various sized loose papers, pockets, loose-leaf folders, envelopes, and folders, 108 ft. in 4 drawers of steel filing case, in 80 steel folded document holders, and against wall. Dirty, torn, damaged by careless handling and faulty containers. Basement. (56)

511. INVOLUNTARY BANKRUPTCY CASES, PENDING AND ENDED, Apr. 29, 1899 to date. Petitions, schedule, order of adjudication, notice to creditors, claims filed by creditors, petition to set aside homestead and poor debtor's exemptions, order appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, report of receiver or trustee, report of referee, petition for discharge, and order of discharge. Arranged numerically. (Frequently, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers, 3 ft. 9 in., in 3 steel folded document holders. Dirty. Anteroom, clerk's office. (54)

512. VOLUNTARY BANKRUPTCY CASES, PENDING AND ENDED, Dec. 21, 1898 to date. Petitions, schedule, order of adjudication, notices to creditors, claims filed by creditors, petition to set aside homestead and poor debtor's exemptions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, report of receiver or trustee, report of referee, petition for discharge, and order of discharge. Arranged numerically. (Frequently, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers, 85 ft., in 62 steel folded document holders. Anteroom, clerk's office. (53)

513. REFEREES' BANKRUPTCY CASES, ENDED, Dec. 24, 1915 to date. Notice to creditors, claims filed by creditors, petition to set aside homestead



and poor debtor's exemptions, order appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, and reports of receivers, trustee, and referee; these files of two referees are kept separately, one in folders and the other in document holders. Arranged numerically. (Daily, official.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x  $9\frac{1}{2}$  bundles and  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 folders, 42 ft. 10 in., in 6 drawers of steel filing case and in 30 folded document holders in filing case. Anteroom, clerk's office. (55)

514. CERTIFICATES OF FINAL DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY, May 8, 1872 - June 2, 1891. Showing name of bankrupt, county, date of adjudication, case number, signature of judge, and date of discharge. Indexed. (Never.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x  $15\frac{3}{4}$  vol., 2 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. Basement. (20)

515. CERTIFICATES OF FINAL DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY, Jan. 6, 1899 to date. Showing date and number of order, name of bankrupt, and date discharge was effective. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 16 vol., 3 in., on open steel shelf. Anteroom, clerk's office. (76)

516. BANKRUPTCY INDEX, Oct. 1, 1907 to date. Listing name of bankrupt, case number, and reference to volume and page of bankruptcy docket where case is docketed. Entered alphabetically. (Frequently, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Anteroom, clerk's office. (72)

517. DOCKET OF CONFIRMATION OF BANKRUPTCY SALES, REPORTS, AND OBJECTIONS, May 12, 1875 - Jan. 6, 1891. Record of sale of real and personal property of bankrupt to settle claims of creditors as ordered by court. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. Basement. (92)

518. REPORTS OF ASSIGNEES IN BANKRUPTCY, Mar. 6, 1876 - Apr. 30, 1883. Showing name of assignee, date, amounts of collection, payment, and deposit, name of register countersigning check, date, amount, payer, payee, and title of account. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{3}{4}$  x  $16\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Ink faded, leather torn, damaged by vermin and careless handling. Basement. (73)

519. ACCOUNT BOOK OF JOHN E. ROLLER, Mar. 22, 1875 - Nov. 24, 1883. Record of fees received by John E. Roller for services rendered in his official capacity as assignee in bankruptcy, or circuit court commissioner, or receiver, with memoranda of dates, reasons for fees, and amounts; also notations of money paid others for services in cases. Each case shows assets and liabilities, and some have notations of discharge of bankrupt. Indexed. (Never.)  $7\frac{1}{2}$  x  $12\frac{1}{4}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Binding broken, damaged by vermin and careless handling. Basement. (49)

520. UNIDENTIFIED INVENTORY, EXHIBIT, n.d. Detailed account of dry goods showing number of items and value; the book was filed by the clerk on May 7, 1898, as exhibit in a bankruptcy case. (Never.) 5 x  $11\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in., in pasteboard box on enclosed steel shelf. Dirty, brittle. Basement. (28)



521. REGISTER'S CHECK STUBS, 1872; Nov. 1909 - Nov. 1916. Showing dates of checks issued, payees, reasons for payment, and amounts. (Never.) 6 1/8 x 13 1/2 and 8 1/4 x 15 stub books (2), 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Brittle, ink faded. Basement. (31)

(Special Civil Matters)

522. JUDGMENT LIEN DOCKET, June 25, 1921 to date. Showing date case was docketed, date of judgment, names of attorneys and parties, amounts of debt, costs, and credit, reference to order book and page where judgment is entered, and how satisfied, and date; covers civil and criminal cases. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12 1/2 x 18 vol., 2 1/2 in., on open steel shelf. Anteroom, clerk's office. (103)

523. INTERNAL REVENUE DOCKET, Mar. 30, 1871 - May 13, 1879; Aug. 11, 1897 - Feb. 20, 1901. Record of proceedings in cases of internal revenue violations, showing dates, names of defendants, presiding judge, and district attorney, place of court, reports of seizures made by officers, and judge's decisions. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 11 1/2 x 17 1/4 vol., 1 1/2 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Basement. (22)

(Criminal)

524. CRIMINAL DOCKETS, June 30, 1899 to date. Showing case number, name of defendant, section of Federal statutes violated, name of attorney for the U. S., abstract of court costs, dated statement of cash received and disbursed, dated memoranda of papers filed, and court proceedings. Indexed. (Older records, seldom; current records, frequently, official.) 13 x 17 vols. (2), 5 in., on 2 open steel shelves. Anteroom, clerk's office. (83)

525. CRIMINAL ORDER BOOKS, Mar. 29, 1871 - Dec. 1915. Showing name of defendant, judgment, sentence, order summoning jurors and witnesses, and order of payment for their services; many orders state that on motion of defendants the cases were removed to other cities in the Western District and request the clerk to transfer the case papers. The last vol. is marked, Final Record, Criminal. (Never.) Various sized vols. (6), 1 ft. 4 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Ink faded, damaged by vermin. Basement. (99)

526. CRIMINAL CASES, 1847 - 1917. Warrant, capias, indictments, sentence, orders of court, and in some instances petition for discharge; depositions and exhibits are destroyed by court order. The majority of cases are for illicit distilling; most of the older ones concern postal violations. (Seldom, official.) 3 x 8 1/2 bundles, 9 ft. 2 in., on floor. Brittle, dirty, torn, ink faded, damaged by rodents and careless handling. Basement. (24)

527. CRIMINAL CASES, CLOSED, Oct. 12, 1881 - Nov. 8, 1934. Transcript from the U. S. commissioner, indictment or information, capias, testimonies, exhibits, depositions, affidavits, judgment, sentence, and final commitment. Many case papers have been transferred to other courts in the Western



District where trial was held. Arranged numerically. (Seldom, official.) 4½ x 9 loose papers, 2 ft., in 10 steel folded document holders. Anteroom, clerk's office. (59)

528. CRIMINAL CASES, CLOSED, Jan. 7, 1935 to date. Transcript from the U. S. commissioner, indictment or information, capias, testimonies, exhibits, depositions, affidavits, judgment, sentence, and final commitment. Arranged numerically; gaps because some cases still in pending case file. (Frequently, official.) 9½ x 15 folders, 3 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Deputy clerk's office. (58)

529. CRIMINAL CASES, PENDING, Apr. 29, 1924 to date. Transcript from the U. S. commissioner, indictment or information, capias, testimony, exhibits, depositions, affidavits, and judgment. Arranged numerically; gaps because some cases are in the closed case file. (Daily, official.) 9½ x 15 folders, 3 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Deputy clerk's office. (57)

530. PARDON OF J. M. MEEKS, Apr. 2, 1858. Signed by the President and Secretary of State. (Never.) 4 x 8½ folded paper, 1/24 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Brittle, torn, ink faded, discolored. Vault in anteroom, clerk's office. (25)

531. MEDICAL RECORD OF U. S. PRISONERS, Oct. 21, 1887 - Mar. 29, 1894. Showing name of doctor, date of service, name of prisoner, offense charged, nature of disease, whether or not contracted in confinement, charge for service, and type of drug used; also giving copy of certificate of doctor and jailer, certificate of person before whom account was sworn to and subscribed, and certificate of approval of account by an agent of the Dept. of Justice. Indexed. (Never.) 14½ x 17½ vol., 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Binding broken. Basement. (123)

532. RECORD OF PRISONERS, Sept. 26, 1885 - May 2, 1889. Showing name of prisoner, nature of offense, name of person committing prisoner to jail, sentence, date of original commitment, number of days prisoner was fed and guarded and amount charged per day, committal fee, and total expense for prisoner; also showing certificates of jailer, physician, and individual who boarded prisoner in places where there were no jail facilities, and certificates of approval by an agent of the Dept. of Justice, U. S. attorney, and U. S. marshal. Indexed. (Never.) 11 x 16 vol., 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Basement. (129)

533. ACCOUNTS FOR KEEP OF PRISONERS, July 1, 1887 - Dec. 31, 1894. Showing name of jailer, name of county where jail is located, quarterly account, rates per day, names of prisoners with offense charged, by whom committed to jail, sentence, date of original commitment, period charged for, and committal fee, and total expense for each prisoner, certification of account by jailer, replication of account, receipt from jailer to marshal for payment, and certificate of approval signed by an agent of the Dept. of Justice. Indexed. (Never.) 13½ x 17½ vols. (2), 2 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Basement. (124)



## (United States Commissioner)

534. RULE DOCKET, U. S. COURT, STAUNTON, Aug. - Sept. 1858; June 19, 1872 - June 8, 1878. Showing names of attorneys, plaintiffs, and defendants, kinds of action and costs in 2 court cases in 1858; subsequently this book was used as a commissioner's account book showing name of commissioner, names of witnesses, cases, dates, time spent on cases, mileage, and fees due. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 10 x 15 $\frac{1}{4}$  vol., 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Discolored. Basement. (6)

535. COMMISSIONER'S TRANSCRIPT DOCKET, Mar. 20, 1931 to date. Listing no. of transcript, name of defendant, offense charged, and date transcript from commissioner received and filed by clerk; also affidavit, warrant, temporary bond, final commitment, final bond, subpoena, recognizance of witness, commitment of witness, affidavit for search warrant, search warrant, transcript of testimony, transcript of proceedings, and clerk's fees for filing. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 $\frac{1}{4}$  x 15 $\frac{1}{4}$  vol., 1 in., on steel filing cabinet. Anteroom, clerk's office. (60)

## (Naturalization)

536. DECLARATIONS OF INTENTION, 1844; 1851; 1852; 1854; 1856. Aliens' statements of intention to become citizens of the U. S. and of their willingness to renounce allegiance to foreign sovereignty. (Never.) 3 x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  loose papers, 1/12 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Basement. (29)

537. CERTIFICATE OF CITIZENSHIP, May 3, 1852 - May 6, 1855. Citing declaration of intention to become a citizen, proof of residence, and oath of allegiance, and granting admission to citizenship; attested by clerk and judge. (Never.) 3 x 8 loose paper, 1/24 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Brittle, ink faded. Basement. (30)

538. DECLARATIONS OF INTENTION, Aug. 20, 1912 - Oct. 15, 1928; Mar. 6 - June 27, 1929. Showing alien's name, age, occupation, description, birthplace, present residence, port of embarkation with name of vessel on which embarked, marital status, date and place of arrival in the U. S., name, birthplace, and residence of spouse, and signature of declarant, and oath before clerk. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (3), 2 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. Basement. (119)

539. DECLARATIONS OF INTENTION, Sept. 6, 1929 - Jan. 28, 1937. Alien's declaration of intention to become a citizen of the U. S., showing name, birthplace, nationality, and signatures of declarant and clerk. Entered numerically. Indexed. (Daily, official.) 9 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 loose-leaf book,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in drawer of steel filing case. Deputy clerk's office. (118)

540. NATURALIZATION PETITIONS, Aug. 27, 1912 - Oct. 25, 1926. Showing alien's name, age, occupation, description, birthplace, present residence, port of embarkation with name of vessel on which embarked, marital status,



date and place of arrival in the U. S., name, birthplace, and residence of spouse, signatures of petitioner and two witnesses, and their oaths before clerk; letters from the Bureau of Immigration are attached. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2} \times 17\frac{3}{4}$  and  $12 \times 18$  vols. (2),  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin. Basement. (117)

541. NATURALIZATION PETITIONS, July 11, 1927 - July 6, 1936. Petitions, immigration reports on entries, depositions, and oaths of allegiance; these are records on which certificates have been issued. Entered chronologically. Indexed. (Daily, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2} \times 11$  loose-leaf book,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., in drawer of steel filing case. Deputy clerk's office. (121)

542. NATURALIZATION CASES, PENDING, Sept. 1929 to date. Declarations and petitions, also correspondence with the Bureau of Naturalization and applicants regarding papers. Arranged alphabetically. (Daily, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2} \times 15$  folders,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in., in drawer of steel filing case. Deputy clerk's office. (120)

543. STUBS OF NATURALIZATION CERTIFICATES, June 2, 1914 - Mar. 15, 1926. Showing number of detached certificate, name, age, and declaration number of certificate holder, name of person by whom issued, petition number, date of order, names, ages, and residence of spouse and minor children, and signature of holder. The Bureau of Naturalization now mails certificate of citizenship directly to petitioner and sends stub to the clerk for record. Entered numerically. (Seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (3), 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Dirty. Basement. (122)

(Attorneys)

544. ROLL OF ATTORNEYS, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, 1871; Sept. 1936 to date. Showing name of court, name and signature of attorney, residence, date and place of birth, and date admitted to bar, also notations in case of attorneys' death; record was later used as a roster of all persons connected in any capacity with the courts. The record was discontinued at an unknown date after 1871, but put in use again in Sept. 1936 by the deputy clerk. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{3}{4}$  vol.,  $11\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Dirty, ink faded, damaged by vermin. Clerk's office. (115)

545. ROLL OF COURT OFFICERS, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, 1871. Showing district, circuit, names of officers with official address, date of appointment, compensation, and birthplace of each, and times and places of holding court; covers judges, district attorneys, marshals, clerks, registers in bankruptcy, and commissioners. This record was compiled on the redivision of Va. into two districts. (Never.)  $3\frac{1}{2} \times 8$  loose papers  $1/24$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Dirty, brittle. Vault in deputy clerk's office. (4)

(Fiscal Accounts)

546. CLERK'S CIVIL FEE BOOKS, CIRCUIT AND U. S. DISTRICT COURTS, Aug. 1824 - May 1845; 1871 - 1877; Nov. 20 and Dec. 11, 1878; 1879 - 1882; 1885 -



1917. Showing fees due for filing papers, recording deeds, and copying records; also amounts received from the U. S. Treasury, individuals, and corporations; fees claimable from deposits made by defendants. Entered chronologically. (Never.) Various sized vols. (10), 9 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Dirty, torn, ink faded, brittle, bindings broken, damaged by water, vermin, and careless handling. Basement. (110)

547. STUBS OF RECEIPTS, Dec. 31, 1893 - July 6, 1896. Showing name and address of payee, type of service rendered, date of payment, and amount. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 14 x 17 vol., 1 in., on closed steel shelf. Binding broken. Basement. (125)

548. RECORD OF FEES AND EXPENSES RECEIVED FROM U. S. MARSHAL AND DEPOSITED BY CLERK OF CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, Oct. 5, 1896 - Sept. 29, 1911. Showing date of entry, number and style of case, amount received, number of clerk's receipt, date money deposited, and deposit certificate number. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 10½ x 16 vols. (2), 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Basement. (116)

549. CASH BOOKS, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, Oct. 1, 1907 - Oct. 17, 1930. Showing number and style of case, amount received and disbursed, name of payer, and names of payees, such as attorney, clerk, and informer; the U. S. was plaintiff in all cases. (Seldom, official.) 15½ x 17 and 12 x 18 vols. (4), 6 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by vermin, leather worn. Basement. (109)

550. CLERK'S CASH BOOKS, Oct. 7, 1930 to date. Showing cash received and disbursed, names of payer and payee, reason for payment, reference to docket, case number, amount of clerk's fees, amount of deposits in cases other than bankruptcy, bankruptcy deposits, msc. earnings, and monthly recapitulations. Entered chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 11½ x 15¼ vols. (2), 2 in., on 2 open steel shelves. Anteroom, clerk's office. (108)

(Miscellaneous)

551. ORIGINAL DEED TO LAND IN HOT SPRINGS VALLEY, VIRGINIA, Nov. 15, 1817. Title granted by James P. Preston, Governor of Va., to Charles Cameron for tract of 245 acres; gives description of boundaries, signature of Governor, and official seal of Va. Deed is written on parchment. (Never.) 3½ x 8 loose sheet, 1/24 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Dirty, ink faded. Vault in anteroom, clerk's office. (12)

(Correspondence)

552. CLERK'S LETTER BOOK, July 5, 1907 - Feb. 2, 1915. Carbon copies of letters to attorneys, judges, and parties interested in cases pending in court. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 10 x 12 vol., 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by water, ink faded, practically illegible. Basement. (33)



553. CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE, May 26, 1905 - Dec. 27, 1933. With attorneys, other clerks, the Dept. of Justice, the Bureau of Naturalization, marshal, deputies, and various individuals. Arranged alphabetically and chronologically. (Seldom, official.) Various sized bundles and loose papers, 2 ft. 8 in., in 6 cardboard letter files. Dirty, damaged by careless handling and on account of faulty containers. Basement. (114)

554. LETTERS RECEIVED, July 1, 1936 to date. From attorneys and litigants relative to pending cases; also requisitions for supplies. Arranged alphabetically. (Daily, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 15 folders, 2 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Deputy clerk's office. (113)

555. LETTERS FROM CHIEF JUSTICE TANEY AND JUSTICE STORY TO J. L. SIBLEY, U. S. MARSHAL OF MASS. DISTRICT, Nov. 6, 1837; Apr. 24, 1839. Containing opinion of Justice Story and concurring opinion of Chief Justice Taney that certificate of the judge on accounts of the marshal is conclusive and that items of charges cannot be re-examined by the Treasury Dept. (Never.) 3 x 8 loose papers,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Basement. (43)

#### ABINGDON

##### Deputy Clerk

Post Office and Courthouse Bldg., 142 Main St.

The Federal court was established at Abingdon in 1871. The records in the custody of the deputy clerk include district court records which were transferred to Abingdon from Wythe Courthouse, now known as Wytheville. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on June 15, 1937.

##### Old Circuit Court Records

556. DEAD CASES, Nov. 2, 1889 - Mar. 2, 1898. Declaration, transcript of record, exhibits, return, report of commissioner, depositions, jury verdict, etc. Filed numerically. (Never.) 3 x 10 loose papers, 13 ft. 9 in., on 5 wooden shelves. Dirty. R. 205. (99)

##### District Court Records

(General)

557. ORDER BOOK, U. S. DISTRICT AND CONFEDERATE STATES COURTS, WYTHEVILLE, Sept. 18, 1839 - Oct. 25, 1860; May 29, 1862 - May 30, 1863. Record of proceedings in criminal, civil, and bankruptcy cases, showing style



of case, kind of suit, indictments, proceedings, admission of attorneys to practice, appointment and qualifications of judge, appointment of commissioners, assignees, deputy marshals, deputy clerks, and names of witnesses and jurors. Indexed. (Never.) 12 x 17 vol., 2 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (9)

558. ORDER BOOK, CONFEDERATE STATES COURT, WYTHEVILLE, May 25, 1863 - Nov. 9, 1864. Record of proceedings in criminal cases and cases under the Sequestration Act, giving style and kind of suit, reports of receivers, court orders, decrees, commissions of receivers, copy of habeas corpus, names and oaths of grand jurors, oaths of admitted attorneys, indictment, bail, recognizance, and jury verdict. (Never.) 10 x 16 vol., 2 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (2)

559. RECORDS OF CONFEDERATE STATES COURT, WYTHEVILLE, Dec. 11, 1861 - Oct. 10, 1864. Showing receiver's original petitions and notices, clerk's notices to garnishees, interrogatories and answers, summonses, acknowledgments, lists of debts and alien property subject to sequestration under act of Aug. 30, 1861, jury verdicts, judgments, and court proceedings; also copies of wills, affidavits, and information under oath. Filed alphabetically. (Never.) 4 x 6 loose sheets, 3 ft., in closed pasteboard boxes. Brittle, dirty, torn, damaged by careless handling and on account of faulty containers. R. 404. (4)

560. RULE DOCKET, Sept. 5, 1871 - July 10, 1884. Showing style of suit, names of attorneys, kind of process, and return. (Never.) 12 x 17 vol., 1 in., on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded, damaged by careless handling. R. 404. (11)

561. LAW RULE DOCKET, June 20, 1896 - Oct. 28, 1906. Showing style of suit, kind of action, record of process in suit at rule, and court proceedings; covers civil and criminal cases. (Never.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on steel case. Dirty, bindings worn. R. 205. (83)

562. OFFICIAL RECORDS IN RULE, May 29, 1882 - Oct. 2, 1900. Show style of suit, attachment, court order, and subpoena. Filed chronologically. (Never.) 3 x 6 bundles, 1 ft., on wooden shelf. Dirty, torn, ink faded. R. 404. (58)

563. CLERK'S MEMORANDUM, Oct. 17, 1871 - June 18, 1874. Giving style of suit, defendant's bond, names of surety, receiver, and attorney for plaintiff, and judgment. (Never.) 8 x 12 vol., 1 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty, ink faded. R. 404. (13)

564. CLERK'S NOTEBOOKS, Nov. 7, 1874 - June 4, 1883. Showing style of case, kind of action, proceedings, recognizance, names of petit jurors, verdict of jury, and costs of suit. (Never.) 8 x 10 vols. (2), 2 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (15)

565. ORDER BOOK, Oct. 26, 1880 - Sept. 5, 1883. Record of criminal and bankruptcy cases showing style of suit, verdict of jury, sentence,



orders, names of court officers, jurors, and witnesses, rules for admission of attorneys, recognizance, and appointments of deputy clerk, deputy marshal, and judge. Indexed. (Never.) 13 x 16 vol., 2 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (34)

566. CLERK'S MINUTE BOOK, Sept. 22, 1889 - Oct. 13, 1909. Giving style of suit, names of grand jurors, petit jurors, and witnesses, venire, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, court proceedings, oaths of jurors and witnesses, and verdict of jury. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty, binding worn. R. 404. (31)

567. ISSUE DOCKETS, Nov. 5, 1871 - June 30, 1902. Showing style of suit, kind of process, officer's return, subpoena, record of proceedings, verdict of jury, sentence, names of witnesses, pleas, marshal's report, and statement of trial before jury or court. (Never.) 12 x 16 vols. (17), 4 ft., on wooden shelf. Dirty, bindings worn. R. 404. (30)

568. CLERK'S ISSUE DOCKETS, Apr. 15, 1889 - Mar. 1, 1909. Giving style of suit, proceedings, names of witnesses, kind of process, scire facias, reference to rule, and record of new indictments. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 8 x 14 vols. (51), 1 ft. 6 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty, torn, ink faded, bindings broken, damaged by water and careless handling. R. 404. (18)

569. JUDGE'S ISSUE DOCKETS, Oct. 2, 1894 - May 4, 1905. Showing style of suit, names of parties and witnesses, judgment of court, and case number. (Never.) 10 x 16 vols. (2), 6 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty, bindings worn. R. 404. (43)

570. ORDER BOOKS IN CRIMINAL AND CIVIL CASES, Mar. 20, 1871 - Apr. 16, 1906. Showing style of case, name of person indicted, orders or judgments of court, names of witnesses, allowance of fees to court officers, jurors, and witnesses, copies of clerk's bond and oath, affidavits, depositions, order admitting attorneys, qualifications of judge, rules in bankruptcy cases, list of grand jurors, information, copies of subpoena, capias, recognizance, scire facias, and verdict of jury. Indexed. (Never.) 13 x 18 vols. (13), 3 ft., on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (36)

571. MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS IN CIVIL AND CRIMINAL CASES, Nov. 9, 1779 - Oct. 10, 1860. Subpoena, indictment, warrant, summons, capias, affidavit, scire facias, recognizance, mittimus, jury verdict, declaration of debt, contract, depositions, copy of will, judgment, inventory of tracts of land in southwestern Virginia and in Tenn., plea, venire facias, bond, names of witnesses and jurors, letters from comptroller, U. S. auditor's report on condition of Wisconsin Territory, indenture, bond of surety, injunction, commissioner's report, court order, bills in rule, and answer. Arranged alphabetically. (Never.) 4 x 12 loose papers, 4 ft., in 22 pasteboard boxes on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, torn, ink faded, damaged by water, careless handling, and on account of faulty containers. R. 404. (25)



572. RECORD OF COURT PROCEEDINGS IN CIVIL AND CRIMINAL SUITS, Oct. 23, 1883 - Apr. 15, 1925. Showing style of suit, proceedings, indictment, capias, court order, rule of court, list of jurors, list of witnesses, compensation for jurors and witnesses, judgment, and name of court. Indexed. (Never.) 13 x 18 vols. (8), 2 ft. 9 in., on 8 steel roller shelves. Dirty. R. 205. (116)

573. INDEXES, May 5, 1880 - Oct. 1, 1905. Showing names of parties to criminal and civil suits, case numbers, and list of witnesses, with amounts due them. Entered alphabetically. (Never.) 12 x 18 vols. (15), 8 in., on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded, bindings broken. R. 404. (22)

574. JUDGE'S ISSUE DOCKETS, May 5, 1898 - Oct. 12, 1917. Showing style of suit, names of parties and witnesses, and sentence. (Never.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 6 in., on bookcase. Dirty, bindings worn. R. 205. (75)

575. PROCESS DOCKETS, Aug. 7, 1891 - Aug. 21, 1905; Dec. 15, 1912 - Mar. 27, 1925. Showing style and number of suit, kind and date of process, officer's receipt and return, names of parties and grand and petit jurors, and names of deputy marshals for 1902. (Never.) 13 x 18 vols. (3), 9 in., older records on wooden shelf; recent records on steel roller shelf. Dirty, binding worn. R. 205. (24, 105)

576. SCIRE FACIAS RECORDS, Aug. 26, 1876 - May 12, 1889. Showing name, style of suit, order of court, date at rules, fees of witnesses, and return. Filed numerically. (Never.) 4 x 10 bundles, 1 ft., on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, torn, scattered, damaged by careless handling and on account of faulty containers. R. 404. (54)

577. FIERI FACIAS RECORDS, May 4, 1896 - Oct. 24, 1910. Showing style of suit, name of attorney for plaintiff, costs, judgment, and reference to civil docket. (Never.) 5 x 10 bundle, 6 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty, torn. R. 404. (107)

578. CAPIASES, Jan. 20, 1901 - Oct. 5, 1903. Showing name of indicted person, nature of charge, date, signature of clerk and deputy clerk, and marshal's return; also scire facias and marshal's return. Filed numerically. (Never.) 3 x 8 bundles, 3 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty, ink faded. R. 404. (53)

579. COURT PAPERS, Apr. 21, 1874 - Oct. 12, 1902. Praecipe for petit and grand jurors, list of jurors, acknowledgment of summons, style of suit, kind of action, subpoena, list of witnesses, and U. S. attorney's account. (Never.) 5 x 10 bundles, 3 ft., on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, torn, scattered, ink faded, damaged by water and careless handling. R. 404. (14)

580. OFFICIAL RECORDS, Jan. 1, 1905 - Apr. 13, 1925. Subpoena, praecipe, oaths of jurors, fieri facias, account of U. S. attorney, date at rule, marshal's receipts, appointment of referee, order of court, mittimus,



and recognizance. Filed chronologically. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 1 ft. 8 in., in 5 pasteboard boxes. Dirty. R. 404. (49)

581. CIVIL DOCKETS, May 3, 1884 to date. Showing style of suit, kind of action, names of attorneys for defendant, proceedings, and fees. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 13 x 18 vols. (5), 1 ft., on steel shelf and on table. Dirty. R. 205. (73)

582. CLERK'S MEMORANDA IN CIVIL SUITS, Nov. 7, 1874 - June 6, 1883. Recording style of suit, kind of process, cost, name of court officer, court proceedings, list of jurors, and final disposition of case. Indexed. (Never.) 8 x 15 vols. (2), 2 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty, bindings worn. R. 404. (115)

583. MISCELLANEOUS CIVIL SUITS, Mar. 29, 1802 - Sept. 2, 1829; Apr. 10, 1853 - Apr. 24, 1856; June 16, 1857 - May 10, 1860. Papers in the following suits: suit in ejectment brought by persons "claiming fee simple title" to 75,000 acres near Wythe Courthouse, suit for breach of contract involving 180,000 acres of land in Wythe and Russell counties, and suit filed on claim that slave sold to defendant had proved to be incapacitated for motherhood. Filed alphabetically. (Never.) Various sized loose papers, 20 in., in pasteboard box on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, torn, damaged by water, careless handling, and on account of faulty container. R. 404. (19, 20, 26)

584. CIVIL CASES, Sept. 7, 1930 to date. Suits against corporations, etc., showing notice, deposition, declaration, information, praecipe, order of dismissal, answer, motion for judgment, and verdict of jury. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 5 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 205. (86)

585. CIVIL CASES, Dec. 23, 1891 - Feb. 1, 1921. Subpoena, bond, scire facias, plea, affidavits, depositions, exhibits, praecipe, fieri facias, capias, mittimus, habeas corpus, petition for naturalization, recognizance, list of jurors, injunction order, decree, and correspondence with judge and U. S. attorney; cases concern unpaid debts and forfeited bonds. (Never.) 3 x 8 bundles, 1 ft. 6 in., on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, torn, scattered, damaged by careless handling. R. 404. (94)

586. CIVIL CAUSES, Oct. 1, 1833 - Nov. 2, 1841. Declaration and notice, capias, fieri facias, proceedings at rule, and marshal's return on fieri facias. Arranged alphabetically. (Never.) 5 x 12 loose papers, 4 in., in pasteboard box on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, torn, ink faded, damaged by careless handling and on account of faulty container. R. 404. (27)

587. EXECUTION DOCKETS, Nov. 20, 1871 - Feb. 12, 1927. Showing style of suit, kind and date of process, amount of judgment, and officer's return. Indexed. (Never.) 13 x 18 vols. (2), 4 in., on 2 steel roller shelves. Dirty. R. 205. (117)

588. EXECUTIONS IN CIVIL CASES, Oct. 5, 1874 - Jan. 29, 1897. Recording style of case, plea, costs, return of marshal, judgment and court orders.



Filed numerically. (Never.) 3 x 6 loose papers, 3 ft. 4 in., in 16 filing pockets. Sooty. R. 404. (38)

589. LAW MEMORANDUM BOOK, May 29, 1884 - July 11, 1904. Showing style of case, kind of suit, names of attorneys, process issued, and dates of issuance and return. (Never.) 13 x 18 vol., 3 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (8)

590. LAW ORDER BOOKS, Apr. 16, 1925 to date. Showing style of suit, kind of action, names of court officers, names of grand jurors, proceedings, jurors' fees, order of court, and judgment. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 13 x 18 loose-leaf books (2), 7 in., on steel shelf and on table. Dirty. R. 205. (69)

591. RECORDS IN COMMON LAW SUITS, Oct. 7, 1872 - July 19, 1890. Petition, motion, court order, notice, transcript of record, claim, exhibits, marshal's fees, declaration, court instruction, bill of exceptions, plea, power of court, name of attorney, bond, and verdict. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 8 ft. 3 in., in 22 pasteboard boxes. Dirty. R. 205. (97)

592. COURT DOCKETS, Oct. 30, 1874 - Oct. 18, 1902; May 4, 1904 - Oct. 6, 1905. Showing style of case, kind of action, court proceedings, scire facias, information, monition, summons, return on summons, jury verdict, sentence, bench warrant, recognizance, mittimus, record of continuance, proceedings at rule in civil cases, bonds of postmaster and his surety, and record of criminal proceedings. Indexed. (Never.) 13 x 18 vols. (29), 6 ft. 10 in., on 2 wooden shelves. Dirty. R. 404. (71)

593. MISCELLANEOUS LAW SUITS, Mar. 10, 1874 - Sept. 5, 1904. Papers in suits pertaining respectively to disposition of tract of land in Virginia, distillers forfeiture of bond, and receivership for Southern Building and Loan Association; also papers in suit of Central Trust Company of New York v. South Atlantic and Ohio Railway Company in default of bond, and in suit of Chapman v. Yellow Poplar Lumber Company. Filed numerically. (Never.) Various sized bundles and loose papers and 8 x 12 loose-leaf books (3), 12 ft. 2 in., on wooden shelves. Dirty. Rs. 205, 404. (44, 93, 95, 135, 136)

594. SUIT FOR BOUNTY LAND, Aug. 11, 1834 - May 10, 1839. Copy of Thomas Jefferson's appointment of defendant as a recruiting officer, style of suit, bill at rule, answer, capias, depositions, subpoena, list of officers in Illinois regiment, declaration, list of defendant's costs, and verdict. In 1779 Governor Jefferson agreed to assign to each man performing military service certain bounty land. This suit was brought by Mr. Ramsey who served under George Rogers Clarke as a lieutenant in the Illinois regiment. (Never.) 5 x 12 loose papers, 4 in., in pasteboard box on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, torn, damaged by water, careless handling, and on account of faulty containers. R. 404. (88)

595. UNITED STATES V. THE FORMER SECRETARY OF THE TERRITORY OF WISCONSIN, Apr. 21, 1851 - Jan. 19, 1858. Declaration, auditor's reports of defendant's



accounts, style of suit, copies of warrants, bonds, pleas of sureties, correspondence between the secretary of Wisconsin Territory and the comptroller of the U. S. Treasury, vouchers, letter of defendant, fieri facias, and verdict of jury. Case brought against G. R. C. Floyd, Secretary of Wisconsin Territory, because of his forfeiture of \$20,000 bond. (Never.) 5 x 12 loose papers, 5 in., in pasteboard box on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded, damaged by water and careless handling. R. 404. (64)

596. COE SUIT IN EJECTMENT, Oct. 10, 1882 - May 27, 1886. Subpoena, order at rule, marshal's fees, declaration, praecipe, surveyor's report, and judgment. (Never.) 4 x 10 loose papers and bundles, 1 ft., in pasteboard box on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 205. (139)

597. COMMON LAW AND CHANCERY DOCKET, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, Sept. 18, 1839 - May 5, 1878. Record of law, bankruptcy, and chancery cases, showing court proceedings, names of attorneys, style of suit, writs of inquiry, judgments, and names of parties. (Never.) 12 x 18 vol., 1 in., on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, binding worn. R. 404. (42)

(Equity)

598. CHANCERY RULE DOCKET, Dec. 16, 1905 - Feb. 1, 1911. Showing names of parties, name of attorney for plaintiff, marshal's return, and record of proceedings in each case. (Never.) 14 x 18 vol., 3 in., on steel case. R. 205. (84)

599. CHANCERY ORDER BOOK, DISTRICT AND CONFEDERATE STATES COURTS, WYTHEVILLE, Sept. 23, 1853 - Oct. 25, 1860; July 30, 1862 - Oct. 26, 1863. Showing style of case, kind of suit, order of continuance, filing of plea, decree, and court proceedings. Indexed. (Never.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (7)

600. EQUITY DOCKET, May 31, 1932 to date. Showing style of suit, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, accounts of plaintiff and defendant, and proceedings. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 13 x 18 vol., 2 in., on table. R. 205. (66)

601. CHANCERY AND EQUITY ORDER BOOKS, Oct. 28, 1884 - Nov. 18, 1935. Showing style of suit, proceedings, court order, decree, and appointment of receivers. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 13 x 18 vols. (4), 1 ft., on 4 steel roller shelves. Dirty. R. 205. (103)

602. THE KING SUIT, EQUITY, July 28, 1809 - Nov. 18, 1849. Copy of William King's will, agreement in King's business affairs, summary of accounts, certificate of probate, copy of indenture, commissioner's report, 1838 - 1842, depositions, injunctions, scire facias, appeal bond, mandate signed by John Marshall, court order, subpoena, and decree. The King property comprised saltworks and vast tracts of land in Va. and Tenn., and in Miss. and Orleans territories. After death of William King in 1809, suits were begun. Filed alphabetically. (Never.) 5 x 12 loose papers, 10 in., in 2 pasteboard boxes on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty,



torn, ink faded, damaged by water, careless handling, and on account of faulty containers. R. 404. (102)

603. MISCELLANEOUS EQUITY SUITS, Dec. 30, 1829 - Apr. 19, 1833; Oct. 22, 1892 - Feb. 16, 1893; Aug. 1, 1893 - Mar. 5, 1897; Aug. 15, 1911. Papers in the following suits: suit to enforce lien for \$30,000; suit in default brought by the Central Trust Company (New York) and others against the American Association Limited (London); suit of the Bertha Zinc Company v. the administrator of the estate of Michael Black, appealed to the U. S. Supreme Court by the Company; and suit of Hagan injured in the mines of the Pulaski Mining Company v. the Company, appealed by the company. (Never.) Various sized loose papers in pasteboard boxes and bundles, 1 ft. 11 in., on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, torn, and damaged by water. Rs. 205, 404. (59, 113, 137, 138)

604. RECORDS IN EQUITY SUITS, Oct. 19, 1873 - Oct. 15, 1891. Subpoena, summons, plea, bill and exhibits, declaration, depositions, answers, demurrers, transcripts, affidavits, certiorari, proceedings, marshal's fee, and decree. Filed alphabetically. (Never.) 5 x 13 loose papers, 1 ft. 10 in., in 10 pasteboard boxes. Torn. R. 404. (16)

605. EQUITY CASES, June 26, 1926 - Mar. 9, 1935. Bill of complaint, trustee's bill, order, subpoena, motion for decree, answer, and final decree. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 1 ft. 9 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 205. (77)

(Bankruptcy)

606. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, July 15, 1867 - June 5, 1899. Showing names of bankrupt, attorneys, register, and assignee, date at rules, report of commissioner, and dated court proceedings. Indexed. (Never.) 10 x 15 vols. (4), 8 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty, bindings worn. R. 404. (29)

607. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, Oct. 8, 1907 - June 29, 1929. Showing style of case, names of attorneys, referee, and trustee, proceedings, disposition of suit, and money received and disbursed. Indexed. (Never.) 12 x 18 vols. (3), 7 in., on shelf. Dirty, torn, scattered, bindings worn. R. 205. (119)

608. BANKRUPTCY DOCKET, Jan. 3, 1927 to date. Showing number and title of case, names of attorneys and referees, amount of cash received and disbursed, and court proceedings. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 13 x 18 vol., 4 in., on steel shelf. Dirty. R. 205. (62)

609. BANKRUPTCY ORDER BOOKS, Mar. 2, 1871 - Oct. 12, 1901. Showing name of petitioner in bankruptcy, appointment of commissioner, order and decree, petition for discharge, reference of suit to register, instructions, and proceedings. (Never.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 5 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (32)

610. BANKRUPTCY ORDER BOOKS, May 6, 1899 - May 30, 1916. Showing court proceedings, name of bankrupt, orders of adjudication and reference, order



on petition and order of discharge. Indexed. (Never.) 10 x 18 vols. (2), 7 in., on shelf. Dirty, bindings worn. R. 205. (120)

611. BANKRUPTCY ORDER BOOK, Nov. 5, 1927 to date. Showing appointment of referee, instructions to referee and clerk, proceedings, and court order. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 17 loose-leaf book, 4 in., on steel case. R. 205. (87)

612. BANKRUPTCY CASES, Mar. 2, 1871 - Sept. 4, 1915. Debtor's petition, proof of debt, security, name of attorney for petitioner, schedule of bankrupt, assignment of bankrupt's effects, assignee's oath, creditor's petition, order of reference, report of assignee, report of referee, statement of sale, warrant, subpoena, abstract of proceedings, commissioner's order, court orders, writ of possession, trustee's report, and final decree. Arranged numerically. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 10 envelopes and 5 x 10 loose papers, 82 ft. 6 in., in 248 pasteboard boxes on 19 wooden shelves. Brittle, dirty, torn, damaged on account of faulty containers. R. 404. (21)

613. BANKRUPTCY RECORDS, June 18, 1903 - June 8, 1911. Record of proceedings, order of court, petitions, schedules, and briefs in cases. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 1 ft., in 3 pasteboard boxes. Dirty. R. 205. (79)

614. BANKRUPTCY CASES, Dec. 1, 1904 - Aug. 12, 1914. Schedule, exhibit, deposition, reports of trustee and referee, debtor's petition, answer, brief of counsel, court order, order of discharge, and proofs of claim in each case. Filed numerically. (Never.) 4 x 10 loose papers, 22 ft., in 8 pasteboard boxes. Dirty. R. 205. (91)

615. BANKRUPTCY RECORDS, Aug. 21 - 30, 1929. Proofs of claim, power of attorney, proof of unsecured debt, amount of debt, and exhibits. (Never.) 3 x 8 loose papers, 1 ft. 6 in., on enclosed wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 205. (12)

616. BANKRUPTCY CASES, May 24, 1917 to date. Petitions and schedules, order of adjudication, order of reference, proceedings before referee, proof of claims, power of attorney, testimony, certificate and report of referee, and discharge of bankrupt. Filed numerically. (Quarterly, official.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 99 ft. 3 in., in 17 drawers of steel filing cases. Torn. R. 205. (65)

617. BANKRUPTCY CASES, Sept. 8, 1870 - Nov. 19, 1881. Petition, schedules, answer on rule day, certificate of register, publication, restraining order, appointment of assignee, deposition, proof of debt without security, copies of bond and judgment, order for transfer of suit, order of sale, vouchers, and oath of bankrupt prior to discharge. (Never.) 3 x 10 loose papers, 6 in., in pasteboard box on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (133)

618. CAMPBELL BANKRUPTCY CASE, May 5, 1877 - May 29, 1891. Petition, order of reference and common order, warrant, schedules, proof of debt,



answer, authority to represent creditor, publication of suit, assignee's and commissioner's reports, depositions, certificate of exempted property, oath of bankrupt, exhibits, abstract of proceedings, and decree. Filed numerically. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 1 ft. 6 in., in 3 pasteboard boxes on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (134)

619. ORDERS FOR DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY CASES, May 16, 1899 to date. Showing bankrupt, date and proof of debt, and order for discharge. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on steel roller shelf. Binding worn. R. 205. (81)

620. CERTIFICATES OF FINAL DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY, Mar. 2, 1871 - June 2, 1879. Showing name of bankrupt, place of residence, court order for discharge, date of order, and date of filing petition for adjudication. Entered numerically. (Never.) 17 x 18 vol., 3 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty, ink faded. R. 404. (90)

621. REFEREES' ANNUAL REPORTS, Aug. 13, 1875 - Aug. 21, 1882. Copies of referees' annual reports to clerk showing bankruptcy cases pending at beginning of year, with date of disposition, amount of dividend, name of assignee, and final disposition in each case; number of assignees' accounts filed and settled, and summary of assets. Filed chronologically. (Never.) 5 x 12 loose papers, 5 in., in pasteboard box on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (110)

622. BANKRUPTCY INDEX, July 6, 1932 - July 23, 1935. Showing name of bankrupt, number of case, date of filing, and date of discharge. (Seldom, official.) 13 x 20 vol., 1 in., on steel roller shelf. R. 205. (70)

(Special Civil Matters)

623. JUDGMENT LIEN DOCKET, Nov. 9, 1923 to date. Showing date docketed, date of judgment, name of attorney for plaintiff, notice of lien, names of persons involved, amount of debt, costs, names of plaintiff and defendant, and settlement. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 15 x 18 vol., 3 in., on steel roller shelf. R. 205. (67)

624. TAX LIENS, July 3, 1933 to date. Notice of tax lien under internal revenue, showing name and residence of taxpayer, period, nature, and amount of tax, name of collector, and certificate of discharge. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 1 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 205. (123)

(Criminal)

625. CRIMINAL DOCKETS, May 5, 1908 to date. Showing style of suit, kind of action, names of attorneys, plaintiff, and defendant, and court proceedings. Indexed. (Quarterly, official.) 13 x 18 vols. (2), 4 in., on wooden shelf, and on table. Dirty. R. 205. (74)

626. CRIMINAL ORDER BOOK, May 8, 1906 - Oct. 4, 1911. Showing style of suit, kind of action, court orders, copy of capias, transfer of case,



removal of prisoner, sentence, proceedings, names of jurors and witnesses, oath of commissioner, order for subpoena, assignment of counties to their respective courts, sentence in revenue case, writ of habeas corpus, rule for attorney of pauper, continuance of criminal suit, evidence, competency of witnesses, joint indictment, rule of clerk, and rule of commissioner. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 13 x 18 vol., 3 in., on steel case. Binding worn. R. 205. (82)

627. CRIMINAL RECORD, Mar. 21, 1871 - Oct. 31, 1874. Showing indictment, capias, bond, pleas, verdict of jury, sentence and judgment of court, subpoena, style of case, information presented by the U. S. attorney, and court proceedings. Indexed. (Never.) 13 x 18 vol., 2 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (35)

628. CRIMINAL CASES, July 12, 1878 - May 21, 1921. Indictment, subpoena, capias, summons, warrant, order of arrest, information, mittimus, mandate, affidavit, recognizance, testimony, bond, plea, judgment, praecipe, habeas corpus, petition, scire facias, attachment, and court instructions to jury in each case. (Never.) 5 x 10 bundles, 2 ft., on wooden shelf. Dirty, torn, scattered. R. 404. (108)

629. CRIMINAL CASES, June 12, 1922 to date. Indictment, bond for bail, warrant, report of trial, and commitment in each case. (Frequently, official.) 4 x 10 loose papers, 5 ft. 3 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 205. (78)

630. GENERAL CRIMINAL RECORDS, Mar. 12, 1932 to date. Application for habeas corpus, petition for subpoena, order of removal, and original indictment. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 1 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 205. (98)

631. FINAL CRIMINAL RECORD BOOK, May 5, 1912 - May 5, 1917. Showing style of case, indictment, names of grand jurors, proceedings, marshal's return, capias, court order, mittimus, and certificate of deputy clerk. Indexed. (Never.) 14 x 18 vol., 3 in., on steel cabinet. Dirty, binding worn. R. 205. (89)

632. MISCELLANEOUS CRIMINAL CASES, Sept. 19, 1834 - Sept. 25, 1841; Sept. 23, 1896 - July 12, 1898. Suit brought against William Walden for counterfeiting; suit against postmaster at Brumfield, Virginia, for default of bond; and other suits. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers, and 10 x 18 loose-leaf book, 6 in., on wooden shelf. Brittle, torn, ink faded, damaged by careless handling and on account of faulty containers. R. 404. (28, 106)

633. CRIMINAL CASES, May 9, 1908 - Feb. 16, 1918. Indictment, transcript from commissioner, capias, testimony, exhibits, depositions, affidavits, judgment, and verdict in each case. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 5 ft. 3 in., on 2 wooden shelves. Dirty. R. 205. (61)

634. INDICTMENTS, Mar. 20, 1871 - Oct. 10, 1901. Show style and nature of case, names of U. S. attorney and foreman of the grand jury, subpoena,



capias, deposition, recognizance, mittimus, testimony, defendant's plea to judge, petition for witnesses, bench warrant, affidavits, order signed by judge, list of witnesses, discharge, commissioner's transcript, and report of trial. Filed numerically. (Never.) 4 x 9 bundles, 21 ft. 8 in., on 3 wooden shelves. Brittle, dirty, sooty. R. 404. (3)

635. INDICTMENTS RETURNED FROM GRAND JURY, NOT TRUE BILLS, Nov. 8, 1924 - Nov. 13, 1933. Showing style of suit, kind of action, name of foreman of grand jury, names of witnesses, and report of clerk. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 2 in., in pasteboard box. Dirty. R. 205. (76)

636. MITTIMUSES RETURNED, Nov. 12, 1928 - Apr. 12, 1930. Mittimus with marshal's return, and capias for arrest and imprisonment; mittimus records style and number of case, reason for indictment, name of place of imprisonment, term to be served, order to marshal to deliver prisoner and a copy of mittimus to keeper at penitentiary, statement to keeper to release and discharge prisoner at date stated without further process, and order to marshal to make return on execution. (Never.) 3 x 10 loose papers, 6 in., in pasteboard box on steel case. R. 205. (85)

(United States Commissioner)

637. U. S. COMMISSIONER'S ACCOUNT AND DOCKET, Dec. 4, 1883 - June 30, 1884. Shows style of suit, kind of action, and costs in cases brought before commissioner; approved May 25, 1886, and forwarded to auditor on June 1, 1886. (Never.) 10 x 18 vol., 1 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (46)

638. U. S. COMMISSIONER'S CRIMINAL DOCKETS, Jan. 10, 1884 - Dec. 18, 1903. Showing style of suit, kind of action, information, costs, names of witnesses, proceedings, subpoena, warrants, bond of defendant, and mittimus. Indexed. (Never.) 9 x 15 vols. (8), 1 ft., on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (39)

639. U. S. COMMISSIONER'S RECORDS, Oct. 16, 1916 to date. Recognizance, affidavit, warrant, indictment, mittimus, court order, power of attorney, subpoena, and appointments of commissioner and referee. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 1 ft. 8 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 205. (96)

640. U. S. COMMISSIONER'S RETURNS, May 20 - Nov. 13, 1924. Recognizance, warrant, mittimus, affidavit, return, praecipe, marshal's certificate, petition, and subpoena. (Never.) 5 x 12 loose papers, 5 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (55)

641. U. S. COMMISSIONERS' QUARTERLY REPORTS, Sept. 30, 1923 - Dec. 31, 1924. Showing style of case, name of commissioner, district, list of fees, cause of action, place, record of proceedings, and disposition of case; reports are from Big Stone Gap, Abingdon, Danville, Roanoke, and Harrisonburg. (Never.) 10 x 18 bundle, 1 ft. 6 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty, ink faded. R. 404. (112)



642. U. S. COMMISSIONERS' QUARTERLY ACCOUNTS, Mar. 31, 1925 - Mar. 31, 1926. Showing style of suit, cost of process, name of commissioner, name of attorney, and approval of accounts by U. S. attorney and judge. Filed chronologically. (Never.) 10 x 18 bundle, 1 in., in pasteboard box. Dirty. R. 404. (50)

643. U. S. COMMISSIONER'S FINANCIAL REPORTS, Jan. 2, 1890 - Dec. 30, 1895. Vouchers and accounts for issuing processes, showing style of case, kind of process, costs of suit, and comptroller's certificate. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 8 x 15 loose-leaf books (3), 3 in., on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, torn, scattered, covers worn. R. 404. (52)

(Attorneys)

644. ROLL OF ATTORNEYS, Jan. 1, 1886 to date. Showing name of each attorney admitted to the Federal bar, date of qualification, and oath. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12 x 20 vol., 1 in., on steel shelf. Dirty, torn. R. 205. (118)

(Fiscal Accounts)

645. FEE BOOKS, Mar. 27, 1874 - June 30, 1898. Showing style of suit, judgment, costs, kind of action, and number of case. (Never.) 9 x 13 vols. (24), 2 ft. 8 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty, bindings broken. R. 404. (41)

646. CLERK'S EMOLUMENT RETURNS, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, July 7, 1871 - Dec. 31, 1892. Showing amount of fee, reason for payment, amount disbursed, and dates. Arranged chronologically. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 10 in., in 2 pasteboard boxes on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (23)

647. MARSHAL'S ACCOUNTS, July 1 - Sept. 30, 1899. Vouchers showing amount of fees for petit and grand jurors and witnesses, amount of disbursements, court orders, and U. S. attorney's certificate of approval. Arranged numerically. (Never.) 3 x 8 bundles, 3 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (45)

648. MARSHAL'S QUARTERLY REPORTS, April 1 - June 30, 1902. Showing name of marshal, style of suit, kind of action, items of costs, receipts, and abstract of disbursements. Filed chronologically. (Never.) 10 x 18 loose-leaf books, 1 ft., on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, covers worn. R. 404. (51)

649. EMOLUMENT RETURNS, July 1, 1893 - Sept. 2, 1908. Showing clerk's fees, cost of supplies, money earned from individuals and corporations, nature of service, and deductions. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 1 ft., in 2 pasteboard boxes. Dirty. R. 205. (124)

650. CASH BOOKS, Oct. 8, 1907 to date. Showing name of debtor, kind of debt, fees classified, and disbursements. (Frequently, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (3), 6 in., on steel shelf and on bookcase. Dirty. R. 205. (72)



## (Miscellaneous)

651. CLERK'S QUARTERLY REPORT, Feb. 3, 1873 - June 30, 1891. Showing amounts received by court, dates, judgments on scire facias, and decrees. Filed chronologically. (Never.) 5 x 13 loose papers, 5 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 404. (56)

652. CLERK'S ANNUAL REPORT, 1935 - 1936. Listing all except bankruptcy cases, with docket number and style of each suit, and giving statistical proceedings in agricultural bankruptcy suits which have no assets or only nominal assets. (Frequently, official.) 8 x 20 envelopes, 1 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 205.

653. MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS, Jan. 23, 1908 - Oct. 9, 1918. Venire facias, oath of referee, court order, execution on judgment, order of removal, praecipe, subpoena, financial report of clerk, mittimus, claims, and bankruptcy petition. (Never.) 3 x 8 loose papers, 4 ft., in 10 pasteboard boxes on wooden shelf. Dirty. R. 205. (104)

654. REPORT OF COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE, 1908. Listing name of property owner, description of title, value of property, and amount of tax; relates to town of Abingdon. (Never.) 15 x 24 bundle, 1 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty, torn, ink faded. R. 404. (48)

655. CLERK'S INSTRUCTIONS AND BONDS, July 2, 1819 - Dec. 2, 1845. Appointments of deputy marshal and clerk, bonds, rules of practice in district court, regulation of days at rules, judgment, and assignment of counties in Va. and W. Va. to particular courts. (Never.) 4 x 12 loose papers, 5 in., in pasteboard box on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, ink faded, damaged by careless handling. R. 404. (37)

656. MISCELLANEOUS EXHIBITS, Mar. 1, 1867 - Mar. 14, 1911. Records of banks and lumber companies, including certificates of stock, check stubs, account books, minute books, and correspondence; used as exhibits in suits. 10 vols. indexed. (Never.) Various sized vols. (38), 4 ft. 4 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty, ink faded, bindings broken. R. 404. (17, 33, 40, 92, 111)

657. COPIES OF OFFICIAL PAPERS, May 10, 1872 - May 29, 1879. Indictment showing style and kind of suit, grand jury return, names of witnesses and U. S. attorney; and declaration and information by the U. S. attorney; signed by the clerk. Filed chronologically. (Never.) 4 x 8 envelopes. 1 ft., on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, torn, ink faded. R. 404. (57)

658. INDEX TO CIRCUIT COURT DOCKETS [Index to Location of Borrowed Circuit Court Papers], May 13, 1900 - May 24, 1903. Showing style of suit under which record is made of request for court papers, and notation of disposition of papers. (Never.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on bookcase. Dirty. R. 205. (68)

659. WITNESS ATTENDANCE RECORD, Oct. 5, 1905 - May 10, 1916. Showing orders of court, name and address of plaintiff, names and addresses of



witnesses, and amounts allowed them. (Never.) 10 x 18 vol., 2 in., on bookcase. Dirty, binding worn. R. 205. (80)

660. CERTIFICATES OF JURORS AND WITNESSES, Jan. 4, 1887 - Nov. 5, 1926. Showing style of suit, name of witness, name of juror, date, time served, miles traveled, and allowance. (Never.) 4 x 10 loose-leaf books (28), 1 ft. 9 in., in pasteboard box on wooden shelf. Dirty, torn. R. 404. (109)

661. JURY ORDERS, Nov. 3, 1933 to date. Order for grand jury, venire facias, marshal's return, jurors' return, and praecipe. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 10 envelopes, 1 ft. 6 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 205. (63)

662. DEPARTMENT FILE, Dec. 28, 1936 to date. Vouchers, bank account, instructions from passport division, naturalization reports, and circulars from the Dept. of Justice. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 12 pockets, 5 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 205. (10)

(Correspondence)

663. CORRESPONDENCE, Oct. 10, 1888 - Dec. 2, 1896. Auditor's approval of clerk's account, letters from attorneys and district judge on official matters, and letters from friends and politicians on general subjects. Filed alphabetically. (Never.) 10 x 12 pockets, 3 ft., in 4 letter files. Brittle, dirty, torn, scattered, ink faded, damaged by water and on account of faulty containers. R. 404. (47)

664. OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE, Dec. 2, 1898 - Oct. 12, 1921. Of clerk, deputies, and attorneys, U. S. attorneys, judge, referees in bankruptcy, Bureau of Internal Revenue, and clerk of the U. S. Supreme Court; also copies of orders, decrees, subpoenas, and capiases, and letters to banks and concerns in bankruptcy, and from Congressmen on political business. Filed alphabetically. (Never.) 11 x 12 folders, 9 ft. 6 in., in 37 wooden boxes on shelf. Damaged on account of faulty containers. R. 404. (6)

665. OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE, July 18, 1934 to date. Judge's requests for information, judge's instructions to clerk, clerk's instructions to deputies, and U. S. attorney's letters to clerk pertaining to suits; also copies of reports of judge's opinions and decisions in cases, and deputies' acknowledgements. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 12 folders and loose papers, 5 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 205. (121)

666. FOWLER CORRESPONDENCE, Oct. 4, 1860 - Apr. 5, 1862. Letters from I. C. Fowler, merchant, to kinsmen within and outside the state about war and economic conditions, and letters from kinsmen describing battles and scarcity of food and money in Va., and banking crisis in S. C., Ga., and Tenn. and giving pen drawings of armies on New River; also muster rolls and summons under the Confederate States Sequestration Act. Mr. Fowler was deputy clerk in 1884 - 1905, and postmaster at Emory at one time. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 10 x 11 vol., 2 in., on wooden shelf. Dirty, torn. R. 404. (5)



667. FOWLER CORRESPONDENCE, Mar. 25, 1862 - May 17, 1866. Letters of I. C. Fowler and his kinsmen giving account of paralysis of mail service, treachery of slaves, desertion of soldiers, movement of Confederate generals in Va., strategy of northern armies, distress of citizens in the State, and the Stay Law in Va. Filed chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 10 bundles, 2 in., on wooden shelf. Brittle, dirty, torn, damaged by fire and water. R. 404. (1)

#### BIG STONE GAP

##### Deputy Clerk

Post Office and Courthouse Bldg., Wood Ave. and E. 4th St.

The Federal court was established in Big Stone Gap in 1904. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on April 23, 1937.

#### District Court Records

##### (General)

668. PROCESS BOOKS, July 24, 1904 - Oct. 5, 1925. Showing style of case, names of parties, kind of process, date issued, name of officer to whom process was delivered, and return. (Never.) 15 x 17 vols. (3), 1 ft. 7 in., on 3 steel roller shelves. Sooty. Vault in R. 203. (1)

669. CRIMINAL AND CIVIL ORDER BOOKS, Aug. 8, 1904 to date. Showing kind of action, court proceedings, rules, lists of deputy marshals, fees of petit jurors, names of court officers, judge's sentence, fieri facias, scire facias, names of grand jurors and witnesses, order in equity, indictment, information, continuance or dismissal of case, exhibits, and commissioner's reports. Vol. I records court order to establish district court at Big Stone Gap, appointment, qualification, and oath of deputy clerk, appointment of commissioners, instructions to deputy clerk, and rules of local court. Indexed. (Daily, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (7), 2 ft. 7 in., on 7 steel roller shelves. Sooty. Vault in R. 203. (4)

670. CLERK'S DOCKET BOOKS, Aug. 8, 1904 to date. Showing date, style and number of case, court proceedings, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, clerk's fees, and other costs; the earlier dockets record civil and criminal cases together. Indexed. (Quarterly, official.) 15 x 16 vols. (5), 10 in., on 5 steel roller shelves. Sooty. Vault in R. 203. (2)

671. GENERAL RECORDS, Aug. 2, 1921 - Sept. 8, 1925. Showing pending civil, bankruptcy, and criminal cases, and petitions; naturalization



petitions filed; instructions to clerk; and clerk's final report. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 16 loose papers, 2 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (33)

672. CLERK'S MEMORANDUM BOOK, Mar. 12, 1920 - Sept. 29, 1921. Showing style and number of case, names of plaintiff and defendant, and copies of correspondence with attorneys and marshals in reference to cases. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 13 vol., 1 in., on steel roller shelf. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (41)

673. CLERK'S CIVIL DOCKET, Nov. 5, 1930 to date. Listing date, style of case, names of parties, kind of action, names of attorneys, plaintiff, and defendant, court proceedings, and clerk's fees. Indexed. (Quarterly, official.) 15 x 16 vol., 2 in., on steel roller shelf. R. 203. (5)

674. CIVIL CASES, Aug. 8, 1907 to date. Subpoena, scire facias, praecipe, plea of non assumpsit, monition-attachment, information, photograph, hand drawing, motion for judgment, transcript of record, deposition, bill of exceptions, plea of statute of limitation, court order, demurrer, petition for naturalization, affidavits, evidence, and rebuttal in each case. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 19 loose papers, 12 ft., in 8 drawers of steel filing cases. Dirty, sooty. Vault in R. 203. (6)

675. LAW CASES, Oct. 2, 1934 to date. Plea of defendant, court order, transcript of record, declaration, petition, subpoena, fieri facias, scire facias, motion for judgment, information, and monition-attachment. Filed numerically. (Quarterly, official.) 10 x 17 loose papers, 11 ft. 4 in., in 8 closed steel drawers. Sooty. R. 203. (7)

676. PROCEEDINGS IN SUITS AT RULE, Aug. 6, 1906 - Aug. 20, 1920. Subpoena, summons, scire facias, mittimus, recognizance of witness, praecipe, and attachment. (Never.) 5 x 11 loose papers, 1 ft. 1 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (50)

677. CIVIL CASES, Apr. 11 - Dec. 25, 1906. Court order, deposition, plea, declaration, and verdict. (Never.) 10 x 15 loose papers, 8 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (26)

(Equity)

678. CLERK'S EQUITY DOCKET, Nov. 2, 1932 to date. Showing date, style of case, kind of action, names of attorneys, court proceedings, fees, clerk's instructions to deputies regarding rules and use of old and new civil docket books, and complete list of equity cases filed since Feb. 1913. Indexed. (Quarterly, official.) 14 x 15 vol., 2 in., on steel roller shelf. R. 203. (8)

679. CHANCERY ORDER BOOKS, Aug. 8, 1904 to date. Listing style of case, kind of action, court proceedings, exception, decree, appointment of special receiver, reports of receiver, final orders in court, and general instructions



of judge. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 6 in., on 2 steel shelves. Sooty. R. 203 and vault. (9)

680. CHANCERY CASES, Oct. 5, 1931 to date. Court order for transfer of case, subpoena, bill of interpleader, answer, answers of receiver, decree of court, motion for dismissal, exhibits, transcript, brief, petition for privilege, authority, or consent, bill of complaint, and motion for judgment, compromise, or sale. Filed numerically and chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 3 ft. 1 in., in 2 drawers of steel filing case. R. 203. (10)

(Bankruptcy)

681. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, Oct. 21, 1907 to date. Showing names of bankrupt and attorneys for parties, dated court proceedings, and complete account of money received and disbursed. Indexed. (Daily, official.) 13 x 17 vols. (2), 6 in., on 2 steel roller shelves. R. 203. (11)

682. VOLUNTARY AND INVOLUNTARY BANKRUPTCY CASES, Aug. 10, 1904 to date. Petition, schedule, proof of debt, order of reference, record of proceedings, court order, deposition, bonds of trustees, and referee's report. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 106 ft. 3 in., in 75 drawers of steel filing cases. Dirty, sooty, torn, damaged by careless handling. Vault in R. 203. (12)

683. DISCHARGES IN BANKRUPTCY, Aug. 5, 1905 to date. Showing name of bankrupt and order signed by judge. Indexed. (Quarterly, official.) 11 x 16 vols. (2), 4 in., on 2 steel roller shelves. R. 203. (13)

684. REFEREE'S BANKRUPTCY CASES, July 30, 1919 - Nov. 15, 1933. Creditor's petition, petitions for sale of property, proof of unsecured debt, orders discharging trustees, notice of referee, report of trustees, proof of claim, power of attorney, schedule of assets, petition for discharge, and notice of discharge. Arranged numerically. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 19 loose papers, 3 ft. 3 in., in 2 drawers of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (14)

685. CLERK'S MEMORANDUM OF BANKRUPTCY STATISTICS, May 31, 1916 - Apr. 28, 1917; July 30, 1919 - Aug. 17, 1921. Listing names of bankrupts, cases closed and cases pending as of 1912, assets and liabilities, fees, general costs, and containing summaries for his annual reports. This book was superseded by a loose-leaf and more concise ledger. (Never.) 13 x 16 vol., 2 in., on steel roller shelf. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (15)

686. BANKRUPTCY ORDER BOOKS, Sept. 5, 1905 to date. Showing appointment and certificate of referee, court order to clerk and referee, and court proceedings in bankruptcy. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 11 x 16 vols. (3), 6 in., on 3 steel roller shelves. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (39)

687. REFEREE'S REPORTS ON CASES, Oct. 1, 1904 to date. Showing date, style of case, and kind of decree. (Frequently, official.) 15 x 18 envelopes, 1 ft. 6 in., on floor. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (36)



688. BANKRUPTCY INDEX, May 20, 1924 - June 23, 1930. Showing name of bankrupt, date of filing case, and date of discharge. Entered alphabetically. (Never.) 13 x 17 vol., 2 in., on steel roller shelf. Dirty. R. 203. (38)

(Special Civil Matters)

689. TAX LIENS, Sept. 24, 1934 to date. Showing style of case, notice of tax lien under internal revenue laws, name of taxpayer, nature, period, and amount of tax, name of collector, and certificate of discharge from lien. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 1 ft. 7 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (42)

690. CLERK'S JUDGMENT LIEN DOCKET, May 13, 1922 to date. Showing style and number of suit, names of attorneys for parties, proceedings, date of judgment, amount of lien, clerk's receipt, and counties in which parties reside. Indexed. (Quarterly, official.) 13 x 18 vol., 3 in., on steel roller shelf. R. 203. (16)

(Criminal)

691. CLERK'S CRIMINAL DOCKETS, Aug. 12, 1907 to date. Showing date, style of case, cause of action, court proceedings, names of attorneys and witnesses, clerk's fees, general costs, instructions to clerk, and final judgment. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 13 x 17 vols. (7), 2 ft., on 7 steel roller shelves. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (17)

692. CRIMINAL CASES, Sept. 10, 1904 to date. Subpoena, indictment, capias, mittimus, affidavits, and court order in each case. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 17 loose papers, 36 ft., in 25 drawers of steel filing cases. Dirty. R. 203. (20)

693. INDICTMENTS, NOT TRUE BILLS, May 1 - June 1, 1920. Subpoena, warrant, recognizance, evidence, proceedings, and verdict. Filed chronologically. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 10 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (47)

694. INDICTMENTS, NOT TRUE BILLS, Jan. 3, 1915 - Jan. 12, 1924. Indictment, subpoena, warrant, recognizance, affidavits, transcript of mittimus, report of trial, and orders. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 1 ft. 5 in., in 3 drawers of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (32)

695. COURT PAPERS, Nov. 2, 1916 - Oct. 5, 1922. Indictments and scire facias. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 17 loose papers, 1 ft. 5 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (31)

696. COURT RECORDS, Aug. 5, 1926 to date. Court order to marshal for removal of prisoner, power of attorney, order to draw jurors, order to issue venire facias, and list of jurors. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 16 loose papers, 6 in., in 3 drawers of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (37)



697. MARSHAL'S RETURNS, Jan. 24, 1904 - July 31, 1914. Marshal's list of jurors summoned, venire facias, subpoena, and return thereon. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers; 1 ft. 5 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (43)

698. GRAND JURORS' CERTIFICATES, Sept. 2, 1935 to date. Showing votes of grand jurors on indictments. (Frequently, official.) 4 x 10 loose papers, 10 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (28)

699. GRAND JURY PROCEEDINGS, Jan. 16 - 18, 1915. Subpoena, warrant, order of removal, indictment, mittimus, bond, recognizance, evidence, affidavits, return, plea, report of trial, and transcript of proceedings in each case. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 1 ft. 5 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Vault in R. 203. (30)

700. GRAND JURY PROCEEDINGS IN CRIMINAL CASES, Oct. 20, 1930 to date. Order to deputy clerk, subpoena, praecipe, and marshal's return. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 7 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. R. 203. (18)

701. ORDERS OF REMOVAL, Feb. 8, 1929 - Apr. 25, 1931. Court orders, subpoenas, and marshal's returns. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 10 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (35)

702. FINAL CRIMINAL RECORD, Aug. 8, 1904 - Sept. 8, 1913. Showing style of case, cause of action, indictment, mittimus, court proceedings, marshal's return, U. S. attorney's report, capias, court order, jury verdict, judgment, and final order. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 13 x 18 vols. (4), 1 ft. 6 in., on 4 steel roller shelves. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (19)

(United States Commissioner)

703. COMMISSIONER'S RECORDS, July 5, 1909 - Sept. 11, 1911. Information, proceedings, warrant, subpoena, and order of dismissal of case. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 1 ft. 5 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (44)

704. COMMISSIONER'S TRANSCRIPT, Jan. 3, 1931 to date. Showing name of defendant and plaintiff, kind of suit, and name of process. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12 x 15 vol., 2 in., on steel roller shelf. R. 203. (21)

705. COMMISSIONER'S RECORDS, Dec. 29, 1921 to date. Warrant, return, praecipe, mittimus, recognizance, bond, evidence, subpoena, affidavits, transcript of case proceedings, and complaint. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 17 loose papers, 1 ft. 9 in., on 2 enclosed steel shelves. Looty, torn. R. 203. (22)



## (Naturalization)

706. DECLARATIONS OF INTENTION, Aug. 20, 1921 - June 1, 1929. Petition for naturalization, declaration of intention, affidavits of petitioner and witnesses, court order, correspondence of District Director of Naturalization with judge, and lists of applicants for naturalization as of 1927. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 4 in., on 2 steel roller shelves. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (23)

## (Attorneys)

707. PETITIONS FOR POWERS OF ATTORNEY, Oct. 12, 1905 - Dec. 10, 1922. Petitions by insurance companies that authority be vested in local attorneys to represent them in suits. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 6 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (46)

## (Fiscal Accounts)

708. BLOTTER, Apr. 4, 1917 - Nov. 23, 1929. Showing style of suit, kind of process, and amount of fees. (Never.) 10 x 13 vols. (2), 4 in., on 2 steel roller shelves. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (29)

709. CASH BOOKS, Dec. 17, 1907 to date. Showing fees for clerk, marshal, and referee, account of receipts and disbursements, and names of debtors. (Daily, official.) 15 x 17 vols. (3), 1 in., on desk. R. 203. (40)

710. CANCELLED CHECKS, Feb. 9, 1917 - June 27, 1933. Showing money disbursed by the court at Big Stone Gap. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 6 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (27)

711. CLERK'S ACCOUNTS, Aug. 15, 1907 - Jan. 30, 1910. Showing style and kind of suit, costs in cases, and names of litigants. Filed chronologically. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 2 ft., in 2 drawers of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (48)

712. CLERK'S ACCOUNTS, Aug. 12, 1916 - Oct. 18, 1921. Showing costs of suits, processes issued, per diem costs, fees collected, and schedules of earnings; these records are now superseded by account books. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 16 loose papers, 2 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (34)

## (Miscellaneous)

713. CLERK'S DAY BOOKS, Aug. 8, 1904 - Mar. 30, 1912. Showing style and kind of case, process, and judgment. Indexed. (Never.) 13 x 17 vols. (2), 5 in., on 2 steel roller shelves. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (24)

714. CLERK'S WITNESS BOOKS, Aug. 8, 1904 - May 20, 1924. Showing style and number of case, names of witnesses and jurors, list of fees, and detailed statement of mileage costs. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 4 in., on 2 steel roller shelves. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (3)



715. CERTIFICATES OF WITNESSES AND JURORS, Sept. 8, 1908 - Aug. 15, 1915. Showing style of suit, name of witness, name of juror, dates served, miles traveled, and allowance. (Never.) 5 x 10 loose papers, 1 ft. 5 in., in drawer of steel filing case. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (49)

716. CLERK'S REPORTS, Oct. 1, 1933 to date. Showing money received and disbursed, clerk's fees, office expenses, money deposited for the Government, record of suits, and dates of court sessions. (Frequently, official.) 15 x 16 bundles, 1 ft., on floor. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (45)

(Correspondence)

717. OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE, Dec. 5, 1932 to date. Of clerk with bankrupts, referees in bankruptcy, U. S. attorney and other attorneys; also transcripts of court records. Filed alphabetically. (Daily, official.) 10 x 12 folders, 4 ft., in 2 drawers of steel filing case. R. 203. (25)

CHARLOTTESVILLE

Deputy Clerk

(A) Federal Bldg., Market and Second Sts.

(B) Temporary Post Office Bldg., Market and Fifth Sts.

The Federal court was established in Charlottesville in 1906. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on March 27, 1937.

Old Circuit Court Records

(General)

718. PROCESS BOOK, Feb. 28, 1907 - Nov. 11, 1911. Showing case number, style of case, kind of process issued and against whom or what issued, date, when returnable, when and to whom delivered for service, and copy of return of marshal or deputy. Entered numerically. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 17 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water and vermin. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (12)

719. CLERK'S DOCKET, Jan. 1907 - July 1911. Showing name of defendant, nature of action, names of attorneys for both parties, and memoranda of court proceedings; covers no criminal actions. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 14 x 17 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Binding broken, damaged by water and vermin. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (21)

720. LAW RULE BOOK, May 27, 1907 - May 2, 1910. A calendar showing names of plaintiffs, defendants, and attorneys for both parties, and



memoranda of rules to which cases are returnable; only 3 cases listed. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $10\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water and vermin, warped. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (13)

721. CIVIL DOCKET, Apr. 27, 1910 - July 27, 1911. Records title and number of case, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, amounts received and disbursed by clerk with date of entry, abstract of costs in case, memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 15 x 17 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water and vermin. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (16)

722. LAW ORDER BOOK, Apr. 23, 1906 - Jan. 1, 1912. Giving court orders, minutes, and names of plaintiffs and defendants; minutes in each case show order allowing amendment to pleadings, verdict of jury, judgment of court, order of court summoning jury and witnesses, and order for payment for their services. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water and vermin. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (27)

(Equity)

723. CHANCERY ORDER BOOK, Apr. 23, 1906 - Jan. 14, 1909. Containing judge's orders to open court; these orders had to be entered although there were no cases in chancery during this period; only 5 pages in vol. used. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water and vermin. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (29)

(Criminal)

724. CRIMINAL DOCKET, Aug. 8 - Sept. 7, 1908. Giving number of case, name of defendant, number of section of Federal Statutes violated, attorney for the U. S., abstract of costs of court, dated statement of cash received and disbursed, memoranda of papers filed, and dated proceedings of court; only one page in book used. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 13 x 18 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water and vermin, cover dirty. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (18)

(Fiscal Accounts)

725. CLERK'S FEE BOOK, Dec. 24, 1906 - July 6, 1908. Itemized account showing costs in civil cases, with date of each entry. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $10\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water and vermin. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (40)

726. CLERK'S CASH BOOK, May 1, 1910 - June 10, 1912. Dated entries giving case numbers, styles of cases, amounts received and disbursed, and explanations; only 2 pages in vol. used. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $15\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Cover dirty. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (43)



## (Miscellaneous)

727. CLERK'S WITNESS ATTENDANCE BOOK, July 1907 - 1910. Showing style of case, witnesses for both parties, per diem and mileage costs, and expenses incurred by U. S. officers in serving writs; only 2 pages in vol. used. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water and vermin, binding broken. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (39)

## District Court Records

## (General)

728. PROCESS BOOK, Aug. 8, 1908 to date. Records case number, kind of process, date issued, when returnable, when and to whom delivered for service, copy of marshal's return, and lists of grand and petit jurors summoned. This record covers both civil and criminal cases. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 12½ x 18 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (11)

729. CLERK'S GENERAL DOCKET, Jan. 1909 to date. Showing names of parties to suit and witnesses for the U. S., case number, offense charged, kind of action, date of indictment, standing of case, proceedings, and judgment of court; covers criminal and civil cases, segregated from other proceedings, such as naturalization. Entered chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 13½ x 17 vol., 1 in., on steel filing cabinet. Damaged by vermin, binding broken. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (20)

730. COMMISSIONER'S TRANSCRIPT DOCKET, Apr. 7, 1933 to date. Showing transcript number, name of defendant, offense charged, date transcript received by clerk from commissioner and date filed, affidavits, warrant, temporary commitment, bond, final commitment, subpoena, recognizance of witnesses, commitments of witnesses, affidavit for search warrant, transcript of testimony, proceedings, and clerk's fee for filing. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 11 x 15 vol., 1 in., on steel filing cabinet. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (19)

731. JUDGMENT LIEN DOCKET AND INDEX, Jan. 13, 1914 to date. Showing name of judgment debtor and creditor, case number, vol. and number of page on which case is docketed, amounts of principal, interest, and costs, date of payment or satisfaction, and remarks. Indexed by name of judgment debtor. (Frequently, official.) 12½ x 18 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (31)

732. EXECUTION BOOK, July 29, 1914. Showing name of officer to whom execution was directed for service, name of U. S. attorney, nature of writs issued, dates, names of plaintiff and defendant, amount of principal, interest, and costs, date judgment rendered, return day of execution, and copy of return of marshal or deputy; only one entry in vol. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 17 vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water and vermin. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (33)



733. EXECUTION BOOK, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, Feb. 28, 1907 to date. Showing name of officer to whom execution was directed for service, name of U. S. attorney, nature of writ issued, date, name of plaintiff and defendant, amount of principal, interest, and costs, date judgment rendered, return day of execution, and copy of return of marshal; covers executions on both civil and criminal judgments. Indexed by name of defendant. (Frequently, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2} \times 17\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (32)

734. CLERK'S WITNESS ATTENDANCE BOOK, Jan. 1909. Records style of case, names of witnesses for both parties, per diem and mileage costs, and expense incurred by U. S. officers in serving writs; only one page of vol. used. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $12 \times 18$  vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water and vermin, binding broken. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (38)

735. CIVIL DOCKET, Aug. 14, 1908 to date. Listing number and title of case, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, amounts received and disbursed and date of each entry, abstract of costs, memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings; the first case is criminal. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $15 \times 17$  vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by vermin, binding broken. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (14)

736. LAW ORDER BOOKS, Apr. 23, 1906 to date. Court orders signed by judge showing style of case, and minutes in civil and criminal cases; minutes show plea of defendant, judgment, and sentence in criminal cases; and, in civil cases, order allowing amendment to pleading, verdict of jury, and judgment of court. Orders are for summoning juries and witnesses, payment for services, appointment of officers of court, removal of cases to other cities for trial, etc. Indexed by name of defendant or style of order. (Older records, occasionally; current records, frequently, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2} \times 18$  and  $11 \times 14\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (3), 7 in., on 3 open steel shelves. Damaged by vermin, soiled. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (26)

737. LAW CASES, ENDED, Dec. 14, 1906 - Sept. 26, 1932. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict, judgment, and bill of exceptions. Many cases are missing because transferred to other court offices in the Western District. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2} \times 9$  loose papers, 3 ft. 3 in., in 3 steel folded document holders. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (4)

(Equity)

738. EQUITY DOCKET, May 19, 1934 to date. Records case number, title, names of attorneys for complainant and defendant, amounts received and disbursed with date opposite each entry, abstract of costs in each case, memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings; only 2 pages used. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $15 \times 15\frac{1}{4}$  vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel filing cabinet. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (15)



739. CHANCERY ORDER BOOK, June 9, 1906 to date. Containing decrees in chancery cases signed by judge, including order for temporary injunction, restraining order, continuance, dismissal of case, copy of order from circuit court of appeals extending time for filing transcript of record, and judgment of the court. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12½ x 18 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (28)

740. EQUITY CASES, ENDED, June 11, 1907 - Feb. 4, 1932. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibits for complainant, for defendant, and in rebuttal, opinion, and decree. Some cases missing because of transfer to other courts, in the Western District, for trial. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.) 4½ x 9 loose papers, 1 ft. 6 in., in 2 steel folded document holders. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (5)

(Bankruptcy)

741. VOLUNTARY BANKRUPTCY DOCKET NO. 1, Sept. 20, 1907 - May 19, 1910. Showing case number, names of bankrupt, attorneys, referee, and trustee, dated statement of cash received and disbursed, and dated memoranda of court proceedings. Entered numerically. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 17 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water and vermin. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (23)

742. INVOLUNTARY BANKRUPTCY DOCKET, Dec. 7, 1907 - Oct. 22, 1908. Showing case number, names of bankrupt, attorneys, referee, and trustee, dated statement of cash received and disbursed, and dated memoranda of court proceedings. Entered numerically. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 17 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water and vermin. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (24)

743. BANKRUPTCY DOCKET, Sept. 20, 1907 to date. Showing case number, names of bankrupt, attorneys, referee, and trustee, dated statement of cash received and disbursed, and dated memoranda of court proceedings. Entered numerically and chronologically. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12½ x 17 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by vermin, binding broken. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (22)

744. BANKRUPTCY ORDER BOOKS, Dec. 21, 1906 to date. Containing order to show cause upon creditor's petition, order of reference in judge's absence, order of adjudication, order appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, motion made by counsel, and order of discharge; record shows case numbers and titles. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12½ x 18 vol. and 10½ x 16½ loose-leaf book, 6 in., on open steel shelf and on wooden desk. Damaged by vermin, binding broken. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (30)

745. TRUSTEES' AND REFEREES' BONDS AND OATHS, POWERS OF ATTORNEY, AND ORDERS OF COURT APPROVAL, May 3, 1906 to date. Bonds showing names of principals and sureties, dates, obligations, signatures under oath, and attestations by clerk; powers of attorney showing names of principals



and proxies, dates, and oaths; and court orders approving bonds. These papers are filed apart from case papers, and kept in safe because of possible defalcation. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers, 1 ft. 3 in., in steel folded document holder in safe. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (37)

746. BANKRUPTCY CASES, ENDED, Sept. 20, 1907 - Dec. 4, 1926. Petition, schedule, order of adjudication, notice to creditors, claims filed by creditors, petition to set aside homestead and poor debtor's exemption, order appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, report of receivers or trustees, report of referee, petition for discharge, and order for discharge. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers, 40 ft., in 32 steel folded document holders. Dirty. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (7)

747. BANKRUPTCY CASES, ENDED AND PENDING, Feb. 2, 1927 to date. Petition, schedule, order of adjudication, notice to creditors, claims filed by creditors, petition to set aside homestead and poor debtor's exemption, order appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, reports of receivers or trustees, report of referee, petition for discharge, and order for discharge. Filed numerically.  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers, 33 ft. 9 in., in 27 steel folded document holders. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (6)

748. DISCHARGES IN BANKRUPTCY, Sept. 25, 1908 to date. Final court orders, signed by judge, granting discharges to persons who have been adjudged bankrupt. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (25)

749. CLERK'S MEMORANDA FOR BANKRUPTCY STATISTICS, July 1, 1914 - June 30, 1916. Data pertaining to cases closed during each fiscal year, showing itemized accounts of liabilities of bankrupts, itemized accounts of distribution of assets of bankrupts, and statements of costs and expense of proceedings. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $13\frac{1}{2}$  x  $16\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 in., on open steel shelf. Damaged by water and vermin, binding broken. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (8)

(Special Civil Matters)

750. RECEIPTS FROM COLLECTOR OF INTERNAL REVENUE, AND NOTICES AND DISCHARGES OF TAX LIENS, July 1, 1915 to date. Receipts recording amounts received, dates, and reasons for tax; notices recording names and residences of taxpayers, nature of taxes, taxable periods, amounts assessed, and penalties, signed by Collector of Internal Revenue; and discharges showing date of discharge from tax lien. These are executed when citizens fail to make proper tax returns. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers, 3 in., in steel folded document holder in safe. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (36)

(Criminal)

751. CRIMINAL DOCKET, Jan. 1909 to date. Showing number of case, name of defendant, number of section of Federal Statutes violated, names of



attorneys for the U. S., abstract of costs of court, dated statement of cash received and disbursed, memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings; the first criminal case was entered on the civil docket. Entered numerically. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 13 x 17 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (17)

752. CRIMINAL CASES, ENDED, Nov. 11, 1908 - Feb. 7, 1921. Transcript from the U. S. commissioner, indictment or information, capias, testimony, exhibits, depositions, affidavits, judgment, sentence, and final commitment. Many cases are missing because transferred to other courts, in the Western District, for trial. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 4½ x 9 loose papers, 3 ft. 3 in., in 4 steel folded document holders. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (2)

753. CRIMINAL CASES, PENDING, Aug. 7, 1928 to date. Transcript from the U. S. commissioner, indictment or information, capias, testimony, exhibits, depositions, and affidavits. Some cases are missing because transferred to other courts, in Western District, for trial. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.) 4½ x 9 loose papers, 8 in., in steel folded document holder. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (1)

(Naturalization)

754. DECLARATIONS OF INTENTION, June 1, 1910, to date. Showing alien's name, age, occupation, personal description, place and date of birth, point of emigration, port and date of entry, name of vessel, marital status, similar information regarding spouse, signature of declarant, and oath before clerk. Entered chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 8½ x 11 and 8½ x 13¼ vols. (2), 2 in., on open steel shelf. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (34)

755. NATURALIZATION PETITION AND RECORD, July 6, 1910 to date. Showing alien's name, age, occupation, personal description, date of birth, place of emigration, names of vessel and port of entry, date of entry, marital status, signatures of declarant and two witnesses, oaths before clerk, names and birth dates of children, period petitioner resided in the U. S., and date petition filed with clerk of court. Entered chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 11½ x 18 and 12 x 18 vols. (2), 3 in., on open steel shelf. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (35)

(Fiscal Accounts)

756. CASH BOOKS, May 1, 1910 to date. Dated entries giving case number, style of case, amounts received and disbursed, with explanations. Entered chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 15 x 17 vols. (2), 2 in., on steel safe. Earlier vol. damaged by vermin and careless handling, binding broken. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (42)

757. CLERK'S BLOTTER, Aug. 2, 1927 - Nov. 25, 1929. Records fees of clerk, marshal, and commissioner, showing date service was rendered and amount of fees earned; one case entered on each page. Entered chronologi-



cally. (Seldom, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 vol., 1 in., on steel filing cabinet.  
2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (41)

(Correspondence)

758. DEPUTY CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE, Nov. 1, 1911 - Sept. 1, 1935. With district clerk, the Dept. of Justice, attorneys, and other Government officials. Filed alphabetically by name of correspondent. (Seldom, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 loose papers, 2 ft. 6 in., in 10 cardboard letter files. Dirty, one container broken. 2d floor, S. (Bldg. A). (9)

759. DEPUTY CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE, Sept. 1, 1935 to date. With the district clerk, the Dept. of Justice, attorneys, and other Government officials. Filed alphabetically by name of correspondent. (Frequently, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 loose papers, 3 in., in cardboard letter file. 2d floor, E. (Bldg. B). (10)

DANVILLE

Deputy Clerk

Post Office and Courthouse Bldg.

Main and Ridge Sts.

The Federal court was established in Danville in 1871. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on January 5, 1937.

Old Circuit Court Records

760. FINAL LAW RECORDS, Mar. 1872 - Mar. 1901. Showing case number, names of parties, transcript of summons, date, manner of execution, court proceedings, and whether case was continued, dismissed, or completed. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 6 in., on open steel shelf. R. 6. (26)

761. CIVIL CASES, 1872 - 1905. Declaration or notice of motion for judgment, defendant's answer, exhibits, summons, etc. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 bundles, 7 ft. 6 in., in 6 wooden folded document holders. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (39)

762. CHANCERY CASES, 1871 - 1888. Bill of complaint, exhibit, subpoena, answer of defendant, affidavits, opinion, brief, petition, and decree. Later cases filed numerically; a few earlier cases filed alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 bundles, 5 ft., in 4 wooden folded document holders. Brittle, dirty, ink faded. Vault in R. 203. (64)



## District Court Records

## (General)

763. PROCESS BOOKS, Mar. 1879 - Apr. 1913. Show case number, names of parties to suit, kind of process, date returnable, when and to whom delivered, and officer's receipt and return. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 16 vols. (6), 9 in., on open steel shelf. R. 6. (10)

764. PROCESS BOOKS, Mar. 1925 - Mar. 1926. Show case number, style of case, kind and date of process, when returnable, when and to whom delivered, and date of return. Docket and order books contain the same information. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 6 in., on open wooden shelf. Vault in R. 203. (41)

765. COURT CALENDAR, Sept. 1934 to date. Giving number and style of case, names of witnesses for plaintiff and defendant, names of attorneys, date, and court proceedings; covers civil, criminal, equity, naturalization, and common law cases, and scire facias motions. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 19 vol., 2 in., on open steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 203. (56)

766. COURT MINUTES, Feb. 1871 - Feb. 1891. Showing papers issued, description of case, court proceedings, names of witnesses and jurors, and decision of court. Vol. 1 contains record of President U. S. Grant's appointment of Judge Alexander Rives as first judge to hold court in Danville. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (3), 7 in., on open steel shelf. R. 6. (24)

767. INTERNAL REVENUE DOCKET, July 1872 - Aug. 1876. Record of internal revenue violations, showing names of parties and attorneys, kind of action, kind of process, when issued, when returned, and order of court. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. R. 6. (9)

768. ORDER BOOKS, Mar. 1871 to date. Final record of all civil, criminal, and naturalization cases, giving date, style of case, case number, final decision, names of petit and grand jurors, and amounts paid them. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (8), 1 ft., on open steel roller shelves. Vault in R. 203. (51)

769. JUDGMENT DOCKETS, Mar. 1872 to date. Showing judgment number, names of parties and attorneys, kind of action, date rendered, page number of record book, kind and date of process, date returnable, marshal's return, and disposition of case. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 6 in., on open wooden shelf. Vault in R. 203. (46)

770. EXECUTION BOOKS, Nov. 1879 - Dec. 1918. Showing directions, names of attorneys and parties to suit, amount and date of judgment, return day, and marshal's return. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 4 in., on open steel shelf. R. 6. (19)



771. LAW AND CHANCERY RULE BOOK, July 1872 - Jan. 1896. Showing case number, names of parties and attorneys, returns on process, petitions filed, date of hearing, and date at rules. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 15 x 19 vol., 3 in., on open steel shelf. R. 6. (21)

772. LAW DOCKET, Sept. 1872 - July 1889. Showing names of attorneys and parties to suit, kind of action, kind of process, when issued, when returned, marshal's return, when docketed, and court proceedings. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 17 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. R. 6. (7)

773. CIVIL DOCKETS, June 1922 to date. Showing case number, names of attorneys and parties to suit, date, cash accounts of plaintiff and defendant, abstract of costs and to whom due, receipts, filings, court proceedings, and clerk's fees. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 15 x 16 vols. (2), 4 in., on open steel shelf. R. 203. (36)

774. LAW RECORD, Mar. 1871 - Nov. 1894. Giving transcript of warrants, date, manner of execution, court proceedings, and final court decision as to dismissal, continuance, or completion. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 17 vol., 2 in., on open steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 203. (50)

775. FINAL LAW RECORD, July 1884 - Nov. 1895. Showing case number, transcript of summons, date and manner of execution, and final court decision. This record has been replaced by order books. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (7), 1 ft. 6 in., in 7 open wooden stalls. R. 6. (20)

776. FINAL CIVIL RECORD, June 1899 - Mar. 1905. Giving transcript of summons, date and manner of execution of summons, proceedings of court, and final decision. This series is now called Law Order Book. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 4 in., on open steel shelf. R. 6. (23)

777. CIVIL CASES, 1912 to date. Declaration or notice of motion for judgment, defendant's answer, exhibits, summons, etc. Filed numerically. (Daily, official.) 12 x 15 folders and 4 x 9 bundles, 15 ft., 9 in., in drawer of steel filing case and in 12 wooden folded document holders. Vault in R. 203. (62)

(Equity)

778. CHANCERY DOCKET, Sept. 1872 - July 1899. Showing names of attorneys and parties, kind of action, kind of process, when issued, when returned, marshal's return, when docketed, and court proceedings. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. R. 6. (8)

779. CHANCERY ORDER BOOK, Nov. 1885 - Nov. 1909. Giving date, style of suit, court proceedings, orders of court, and disposition of case. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 3 in., on open steel shelf. R. 6. (50)



780. CHANCERY ORDER BOOK, Feb. 1904 - March 1934. Giving date, names of parties to suit, decree, and final order of court. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 3 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (48)

781. CHANCERY CASES, 1872 - 1889. Bills of complaint, subpoenas, defendants' answers, exhibits, and final court orders. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 4½ x 8 bundles, 1 ft., in open wooden pigeonholes. Brittle, dirty, ink faded, damaged by vermin. R. 6. (33)

782. CHANCERY AND EQUITY CASES, 1907 to date. Bills of complaint, exhibits, subpoenas, answers of defendants, affidavits, opinions, briefs, petitions, and decrees. Arranged numerically. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 15 folders and 4 x 9 bundles, 7 ft., in 2 drawers of steel filing case and in 4 wooden folded document holders. R. 203. (38)

783. EQUITY CASH BOOKS, May 1906 - Sept. 1935. Dated record of receipts and disbursements of court, showing amounts, names of payers and payee, registry funds, fees, and other income. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 15 x 17 vols. (2), 2 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (42)

(Bankruptcy)

784. VOLUNTARY BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, Mar. 1871 - Nov. 1885. Showing case number, name of bankrupt, names of attorneys, register and assignee, and dated court proceedings. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 and 11 x 16 vols. (3), 4 in., on open steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 203. (52)

785. CLERK'S BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, Jan. 1925 to date. Showing style of case, names of attorneys, referee, and trustee, date, cash received and disbursed, and dated court proceedings. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12 x 17 vols. (3), 6 in., on open steel shelf. R. 203. (44)

786. ORDERS OF REFERENCE IN BANKRUPTCY, Mar. 1871 - Aug. 1878. Giving case number, name and address of petitioner, date, name of register in bankruptcy, and proceedings. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 15 vol., 1 in., in open wooden stall. R. 6. (25)

787. BANKRUPTCY ORDERS, Mar. 1871 - Dec. 1898. Giving date, decision of court as to necessity of bankruptcy, name of person appointed by court to execute bankruptcy, and directions concerning settlement of liabilities. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (2), 4 in., in 2 open wooden stalls. R. 6. (17)

788. BANKRUPTCY ORDER BOOKS, Apr. 1915 to date. Giving date, case number, name and residence of bankrupt, and orders of court, with directions as to disposition of funds to satisfy creditors in asset cases. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12 x 18 and 10 x 11 vols. (2), 4 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (45)



789. BANKRUPTCY CASES, 1871 - 1913. Petition and schedule of debtor, orders of reference and adjudication, order of publication, certificate by register, exhibits, and order of discharge. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 bundles, 135 ft., in open wooden pigeonholes and on 2 open steel shelves. Brittle, dirty, scattered, ink faded, damaged by vermin. R. 6. (28, 34)

790. BANKRUPTCY CASES, Jan. 1914 to date. Petition and schedule in triplicate, orders of adjudication and reference, petition for discharge, decree of discharge, referee's order, credit claim or proof of debt, and exhibits. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 bundles, 175 ft. 4 in., in 82 steel and 53 wooden folded document holders. Vault in R. 203. (35)

791. CERTIFICATES OF DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY, May 1871 - May 1887. Giving case number, name and residence of bankrupt, dates of petition and decision, and name of judge. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 16 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. R. 6. (6)

792. CERTIFICATE OF FINAL DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY, Apr. 1899 - June 1928. Giving case number, name and address of bankrupt, and signature of judge. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 17 vol., 2 in., on open wooden shelf. Vault in R. 203. (47)

793. BANKRUPTCY INDEX, Mar. 1899 - Sept. 1935. Showing case number, name of bankrupt, date case filed, date of discharge, and docket number. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 1 in., on open steel roller shelf. R. 203. (61)

(Criminal)

794. CRIMINAL DOCKETS, Sept. 1871 - Nov. 1889. Record of criminal cases upon which indictment has been served by grand jury, giving date and place of hearing, case number, names of parties to suit, and orders of court. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 17 vols. (2), 2 in., in open wooden stall. R. 6. (22)

795. CRIMINAL DOCKETS, May 1906 - Feb. 1926. Showing names of plaintiff and defendant, crime charged, commissioner's transcript, date set for trial, names of attorney, marshal, clerk, and witnesses, amount of costs, and court proceedings. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 13 x 17 vols. (2), 3 in., on open steel shelf. Vault in R. 203. (57)

796. RECORD OF CRIMINAL CASES, Aug. 1871 - Nov. 1878. Giving names of parties, date and description of charge, and decision. This book has been replaced by criminal and civil order book. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., in open wooden stall. R. 6. (14)

797. CRIMINAL ORDER BOOKS, Feb. 1891 - Mar. 1907. Giving date, names of parties to suit, case number, final court decision as to dismissal, continuance, fine, or imprisonment, names of jurors, and amounts paid



them for travel and services. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (3), 6 in., in 3 open wooden stalls. R. 6. (15)

798. FINAL CRIMINAL RECORDS, Feb. 1872 - Nov. 1913. Giving date, case number, court proceedings, and final court decision; now replaced by order books recording both civil and criminal cases. Vols. A-Z. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (26), 5 ft. 4 in., in 26 open wooden stalls. R. 6. (16)

799. FINAL CRIMINAL RECORD NO. 12, June 1913 - Apr. 1914. Shows case number, date, names of judge, clerk, attorney, marshal, and foreman of grand jury; now replaced by order book. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 17 vol., 4 in., on open steel shelf. R. 6. (32)

800. CRIMINAL CASES, 1871 - 1913. Warrant, mittimus, recognizance, subpoena, report of violation, indictment, capias, exhibits, deposition, and disposition. Indexed in docket and final criminal record. (Seldom, official.) 4½ x 8 bundles, 50 ft., in open wooden pigeonholes. Damaged by vermin, dirty, torn, scattered, ink faded. R. 6. (27)

801. CRIMINAL CASES, Aug. 1886 to date. Transcript from U. S. commissioner, indictment, capias, testimony, exhibits, deposition, affidavit, judgment, sentence, and final commitment. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 bundles, 47 ft., in 20 wooden folded document holders and on 4 enclosed wooden shelves. Dirty. Vault in R. 203. (63)

802. CRIMINAL LEDGER, Apr. 1910 - Nov. 1915. Record of fines paid for violation of Federal laws, giving date, name of offender, reason for payment, and amount. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 16 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. R. 6. (18)

(Naturalization)

803. DECLARATIONS OF INTENTION, Dec. 1907 - Mar. 1929. Giving date of declaration, name, age, occupation, personal description, native land, and signature of applicant. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 11 and 9 x 14 vols. (2), 2 in., on open wooden shelf. Vault in R. 203. (58)

804. NATURALIZATION PETITIONS, May 1908 - June 1929. Showing date, and name, residence, date and manner of arrival in the U. S., signature, and affidavits of petitioner, and name of witness. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 17 and 12 x 18 vols. (2), 2 in., on open wooden shelf. Vault in R. 203. (60)

805. NATURALIZATION CERTIFICATES, July 1904 - Mar. 1928. Showing certificate number, name, age, and residence of petitioner, number of petition, name and residence of clerk, number of declaration of intention for naturalization, and signature of applicant. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 15 vols. (6), 2 in., on open wooden shelf. Vault in R. 203. (59)



## (Fiscal Accounts)

806. FEE BOOKS, July 1877 - Nov. 1893. Showing case number, names of parties, costs, and amount paid. This record was discontinued when court employees began to be paid a definite salary. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vols. (4), 6 in., in 3 open wooden stalls. R. 6. (11)

807. CLERK'S BLOTTERS, Feb. 1916 - Nov. 1929. Record of fees paid to clerk from individuals and corporations, giving dates, explanations, disbursements, and brief court proceedings. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 12 vols. (2), 1 in., on open wooden shelf. Vault in R. 203. (40)

808. LEDGERS, 1897 - 1901. Giving date, style of suit, explanations and amount of costs, and explanation and amount of disbursements. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 14 vols. (2), 2 in., on open wooden roller shelf. Vault in R. 203. (53)

809. CASH BOOK, May 1906 - Mar. 1911. Showing receipts, disbursements, amount of registry funds, clerks' fees, and naturalization fees. (Seldom, official.) 15 x 17 vol., 2 in., in open wooden stall. R. 6. (13)

810. CASH BOOK, Sept. 1925 to date. Dated record of amounts received, giving names of persons, explanations, page numbers of dockets or records, amounts of registry funds, clerk's fees, naturalization fees, miscellaneous earnings of clerk and other income, amounts in bankruptcy proceedings, and disbursements. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 15 x 17 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. R. 203. (43)

811. REGISTRY LEDGER, Jan. 1933 - Mar. 1935. Showing name of taxpayer, date, items of levy, amount deposited, and name of bank in which money was deposited. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 8 x 14 vol., 1 in., on open steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 203. (49)

## (Miscellaneous)

812. POST OFFICE AND COURTHOUSE CUSTODIAN'S JOURNAL, Nov. 1880 - Apr. 1884. Showing date, name of vendor, description of each article of equipment purchased, and amount paid. (Seldom, official.) 7 x  $12\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. R. 6. (31)

813. MISCELLANEOUS CASE PAPERS, 1872 - 1913. Excerpts from cases, unnumbered exhibits, and old papers. There is no way to associate these papers with cases other than by name. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 bundles, 40 ft., in 2 pasteboard boxes. Damaged by vermin and careless handling, dirty, brittle, scattered, ink faded. R. 6. (29)

814. MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS, 1922 to date. Records of sureties, powers of attorneys, official oaths, bonds, duplicate deposit certificates, notices of tax liens under internal revenue laws, jury lists and orders, grand jury cases, U. S. commissioner's accounts, U. S. commissioner's dismissed cases



bankruptcy statistics, certificates of witnesses and jurors, clerk's quarterly accounts, and reports of funds. Filed according to subject. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 9 bundles, 18 ft. 9 in., in 21 wooden folded document holders. Vault in R. 203. (37)

(Correspondence)

815. CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE, 1884 - 1908. With attorneys, marshals, clerks of other courts, and parties in cases. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 12 covers, 6 ft., in 3 closed pasteboard boxes. Bindings broken, dirty, ink faded. R. 6. (12)

United States Commissioner

Post Office and Courthouse Bldg., Main and Ridge Sts.

No records were known to have been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on January 5, 1937.

816. U. S. COMMISSIONER'S DOCKETS, Oct. 17, 1929 to date. Showing district, names of defendant, commissioner, and officer serving warrant, date, amount of fees, nature of warrant, date of defendant's appearance, plea, date and amount of bond or length of pending imprisonment, date of hearing, names of sureties in case of bond, and witnesses. The majority of cases concern prohibition offenses, white slave traffic, postal law violations, and counterfeiting. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 8 x 14 vols. (2), 2 in., on enclosed wooden shelf. R. 309. (65)

LYNCHBURG

Deputy Clerk

Post Office and Courthouse Bldg., 9th and Church Sts.

The Federal court was established in Lynchburg in February 1871. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on April 7, 1937.

Old Circuit Court Records

(General)

817. PROCESS BOOK, Feb. 1, 1889 - Sept. 12, 1911. Showing style of case, kind and date of process, date returnable, date of return, person to whom delivered, and date of delivery. Earlier process records for both district and circuit courts were kept in one book. (Seldom, official.) 13 x 17½ vol., 2½ in., on enclosed wooden shelf. R. 212. (123)



818. JUDGMENT LIEN DOCKETS, Sept. 19, 1871 - Sept. 29, 1911. Showing names and addresses of parties, names of attorneys, kind of action, date of judgment, amounts of debt, interest, and credit, reference to record and page of docket, and when and how satisfied. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vols. (2), 5 in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (173)

819. LAW DOCKET, Sept. 1876 - Apr. 1888. Recording title of case, names of parties and attorneys, kind of action, process, date issued, date returned, marshal's return, date docketed, and proceedings. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed wooden shelf. R. 212. (164)

820. LAW CASES, ENDED, CIRCUIT COURT, Nov. 20, 1871 - Mar. 13, 1913. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict, judgment, and bill of exceptions. Card index. (Seldom, official.) 4 x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  bundles, 23 ft. 9 in., in 5 steel transfer cases. Dirty, ink faded. R. 212. (183)

821. CIVIL DOCKET, July 6, 1908 - Dec. 8, 1911. Record of law and equity cases, showing title of case, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, filings, proceedings, accounts of plaintiff and defendant, and clerk's fees. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 13 x  $16\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (100)

822. LAW AND CHANCERY DOCKETS, Sept. 1876 - Mar. 1908. Showing title of case, names of parties and attorneys, kind of action, and proceedings; the information is duplicated in the civil dockets and chancery docket. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{4}$  x 18 and  $11\frac{1}{4}$  x 16 vols. (3),  $5\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (167)

823. LAW ORDER BOOKS, Mar. 14, 1871 - Dec. 4, 1911. Showing style of case, matter passed on by court, date, judgment rendered, order to clerk to prepare jury list, and names of jurors selected; contains only civil orders. Both civil and criminal orders are entered in the district court law order books. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 13 x 18 vols. (3), 9 in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (101)

824. FINAL CIVIL RECORD BOOKS, Mar. 22, 1877 - Mar. 17, 1899. Showing summons, subpoena, court order, and clerk's certificate testifying that they are authentic copies, names of parties, cause of action, date of service, date of hearing, final disposition of case, clerk, and judge trying case; the majority of cases were suits on bonds of postmasters, distillers, and others bonded to the U. S. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vols. (2), 5 in., on enclosed wooden shelf. R. 212. (122)

(Equity)

825. CHANCERY RULE DOCKET, Dec. 31, 1880 - May 1908. Showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, kind of action, and return date at rules; this information is now given in the docket. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vol., 2 in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (138)



826. CHANCERY CASES, ENDED, CIRCUIT COURT, May 9, 1871 - Jan. 4, 1913. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibits for complainant, testimony and exhibits for defendant, testimony and exhibits in rebuttal, opinion, and decree. Filed numerically. Card index. (Seldom, official.) 4 x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  bundles, 75 ft., in 16 drawers of steel filing cases, in 13 steel folded document holders, and on 7 enclosed steel shelves. Ink faded. R. 212. (181)

827. CHANCERY ORDER BOOKS, Sept. 16, 1879 - Dec. 30, 1911. Record of orders in each case showing style of suit, date, matter passed on by court, and continuance or final disposition. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 16 and 13 x 18 vols. (4), 1 ft., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (102)

(Criminal)

828. FINAL CRIMINAL RECORD, Oct. 31, 1871 - Mar. 30, 1878. Showing indictment or information, capias, subpoena, court order, mittimus, and clerk's certificate; most cases concern violations of revenue laws. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vol., 2 $\frac{1}{4}$  in., on enclosed wooden shelf. R. 212. (121)

(Fiscal Accounts)

829. LAW AND CHANCERY FEE BOOKS, Jan. 13 - July 29, 1886; Mar. 15, 1892 - Mar. 27, 1893. Showing title and number of case, service rendered by clerk, fee paid, and date. (Seldom, official.) 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 and 8 $\frac{1}{4}$  x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (2), 1 $\frac{3}{4}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (145)

(Miscellaneous)

830. MARSHAL'S FEE AND EXPENSE BOOK, Sept. 1, 1896 - Dec. 28, 1911. Shows style of case, amount collected and paid to clerk, and date. (Seldom, official.) 11 $\frac{1}{4}$  x 16 vol., 1 in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (161)

831. BOND BOOK, July 17, 1892 - May 23, 1910. Printed bonds showing names of principal and surety, amount of bond, style of case, date, and stipulation. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 16 vol., 2 in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (126)

832. RECORDS OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTION, 1884; Aug. 27 - Nov. 9, 1892. Showing names and addresses of supervisors and county, precinct, and political party of each. Later vol. indexed. (Seldom, official.) 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$  and 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vols. (2), 2 $\frac{1}{4}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (146, 147)

#### District Court Records

(General)

833. CLERK'S MEMORANDUM BOOK, DISTRICT AND CIRCUIT COURTS, Sept. 6, 1880 - Dec. 20, 1888. Miscellaneous notes concerning writs which parties



to suits desire to have issued. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 15 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (136)

834. ATTORNEY'S MEMORANDUM BOOK, Feb. 28, 1890 to date. Records style of suit, kind of action, amount of damage, and date returnable at rules; used by attorney instituting suit. (Frequently, official.)  $9\frac{3}{4}$  x 16 vol.,  $\frac{3}{4}$  in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (172)

835. PROCESS BOOKS, DISTRICT AND CIRCUIT COURTS, Nov. 19, 1875 - 1898. Showing names of parties, witnesses, and attorneys, kind of action, kind of process, and dates of issuance, service, and return; also include memoranda; process record ends Sept. 24, 1883. One vol. is incorrectly entitled, Revenue Docket. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 15 and 12 x 18 vols. (3), 5 in., on enclosed wooden shelf. Pages torn out. R. 212. (158)

836. PROCESS BOOK, DISTRICT AND CIRCUIT COURTS, Aug. 18, 1876 - Jan. 14, 1889. Records style of case, kind and date of process, when returnable, date returned, to whom delivered, and date of delivery. Equally divided between district and circuit court entries. (Seldom, official.) 13 x  $17\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., on enclosed wooden shelf. R. 212. (124)

837. PROCESS BOOKS, Feb. 1, 1889 - Dec. 12, 1924. Showing style of case, kind of process, date issued, date returnable, date returned, to whom delivered, and date of delivery; such entries are now made in the dockets. (Seldom, official.) 13 x  $17\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (4), 8 in., on enclosed wooden shelf. R. 212. (125)

838. MISCELLANEOUS AND BANKRUPTCY DOCKET, Mar. 18, 1884 - Sept. 1885. The first part of the record seems to be a clerk's courtroom docket, giving law, criminal, and chancery entries; the latter part is a bankruptcy docket, showing case number, names of bankrupt, assignee, and attorneys, kind of process, date of issuance and return, and marshal's return. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (130)

839. JUDGE'S DOCKETS, DISTRICT AND CIRCUIT COURTS, Sept. 1879 - Mar. 1901. Giving title of case, names of parties and attorneys, kind of action, and nature of charge; now replaced by trial calendar. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 16 vols. (2),  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed wooden shelf. R. 212. (159)

840. JUDGE'S DOCKET, Mar. 1913 - Mar. 1915. Showing title of case, names of parties and attorneys, and kind of action; kept for convenience of judge. The information is duplicated in the regular dockets. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{3}{4}$  x 16 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (166)

841. TRIAL CALENDAR, May 1937. Record of each case matured for trial, showing number and style of case, names of attorneys and witnesses for both parties, date of suit, and proceedings. At end of term loose-leaf sheets are removed. This calendar has superseded dockets for court, clerk,



and judge. (Frequently, official.)  $10\frac{1}{4}$  x 16 loose-leaf book,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (175)

842. COURT MINUTES, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, Sept. 1878 - Mar. 1891; Sept. 1894 - Sept. 1900. Record of dated court proceedings showing style and progress of case, order of court, and costs; the information is duplicated in order book. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 16 and 8 x 13 vols. (2), 2 in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (135)

843. JUDGMENT LIEN DOCKETS, Sept. 27, 1879 to date. Showing date of docketing of case, date of judgment, names and addresses of parties, names of attorneys, amounts of debt, interest, and credit, reference to record and page, and when and how judgment was satisfied. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vols. (2), 5 in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (174)

844. EXECUTION BOOK, Jan. 28, 1875 to date. Showing names of parties and attorneys, date of execution, amounts of principal and interest, date of judgment, return day, and marshal's return. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12 x  $17\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (171)

845. LAW AND CRIMINAL CASES, Mar. 14, 1871 - July 16, 1925. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict, judgment, and bill of exceptions, in law cases; and, in criminal cases, transcript from U. S. commissioner, indictment, capias, testimony, exhibits, depositions, affidavits, judgment, sentence, and final commitment. Filed numerically. Card index to defendants. (Seldom, official.) 4 x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  bundles, 96 ft., in 16 steel transfer cases. Dirty, ink faded. R. 212. (184)

846. LAW DOCKET, Sept. 1871 - Mar. 1894. Showing names of attorneys, style of case, kind of action, standing on docket, and proceedings; information is duplicated in civil docket. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vol.,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (168)

847. CIVIL DOCKET NO. 1, Sept. 16, 1903 - June 15, 1916. Records title of case, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, filings, proceedings, dates, accounts of plaintiff and defendant, and clerk's fees. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 13 x  $16\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (104)

848. CIVIL DOCKETS, June 27, 1916 - Mar. 30, 1932. Showing title of case, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, filings, proceedings, dates, accounts of plaintiff and defendant, and clerk's fees in civil and equity cases. Separate dockets for equity and law cases have been kept since 1932. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 13 x  $16\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (2),  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel roller shelf in wooden cabinet. R. 210. (105)

849. LAW DOCKETS, Apr. 27, 1932 to date. Showing title of case, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, filings, proceedings, dates,



accounts of plaintiff and defendant, and clerk's fees. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 13 x 16 $\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (2), 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel roller shelf in closed wooden cabinet. R. 210. (106)

850. LAW ORDERS, Mar. 13, 1871 - July 24, 1933. Civil and criminal orders signed by judge, showing style of case, matter passed on by court, date, judgment, order to clerk to prepare jury list, and names of jurors selected. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 and 11 x 14 $\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (14), 3 ft., in steel cabinet. R. 212. (115)

851. LAW ORDERS, July 31, 1933 to date. Civil and criminal orders showing style of case, matter passed on by court, date, judgment, order to clerk to prepare jury list, and names of jurors selected. Indexed. (Daily, official.) 10 x 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  loose-leaf books (2), 6 in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (103)

852. LAW CASES, Jan. 1, 1934 to date. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict, judgment, and bill of exceptions. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 15 folders, 8 ft., in 4 drawers of steel filing case. R. 210. (185)

(Equity)

853. CHANCERY RULE DOCKET, Jan. 26, 1880 - July 31, 1908. Showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, kind of action, and return date at rules. (Seldom, official.) 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vol., 2 in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (139)

854. EQUITY DOCKET, June 29, 1932 to date. Records title of case, names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys, filings, proceedings, dates, accounts of plaintiff and defendant, and clerk's fees. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 13 x 16 $\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., on steel roller shelf in wooden cabinet. R. 210. (107)

855. CHANCERY ORDER BOOK AND EQUITY JOURNAL NO. 1, Sept. 16, 1879 - Mar. 28, 1893; Jan. 17, 1912 - June 30, 1924. Showing all orders in equity suits giving title of case, names of parties, date, matter passed on by court, and continuance or final disposition; the title of this series was changed from Chancery Order Book to Equity Journal in 1912 when new equity rules were instituted. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 16 and 13 x 18 vols. (2), 5 in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (119)

856. EQUITY JOURNALS, July 4, 1924 to date. Record of orders in equity suits, showing title of case, date order was entered, names of parties, and continuance or final disposition of case. Indexed. (Daily, official.) 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  and 11 x 15 loose-leaf books (2), 6 in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (114)

857. CHANCERY CASES, Feb. 12, 1912 to date. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibits for



complainant, testimony and exhibits for defendant, testimony and exhibits in rebuttal, opinion and decree. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 and 4 x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  bundles, 69 ft. 2 in., in drawer of steel filing case, in 24 steel folded document holders, and in 10 steel transfer cases. Dirty. Rs. 210 and 212. - (182)

(Bankruptcy)

858. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, Mar. 15, 1871 - Mar. 1883. Showing names of bankrupt, attorneys, register, and assignee, and dated court proceedings; vol. 1 covers voluntary cases, vol. 2 voluntary and involuntary cases, segregated. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $10\frac{1}{2}$  x  $15\frac{3}{4}$  vols. (2),  $4\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (117)

859. INVOLUNTARY BANKRUPTCY DOCKET, June 29, 1899 - Aug. 8, 1908. Showing names of bankrupt, attorneys, referee, and petitioning creditors, dated court proceedings, and clerk's fees. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x  $16\frac{1}{4}$  vol.,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (108)

860. VOLUNTARY BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, Sept. 28, 1898 - Sept. 12, 1927. Showing name and address of bankrupt, names of attorneys and referee, dated court proceedings, and clerk's fees. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 and  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x  $16\frac{1}{4}$  vols. (4), 9 in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (118)

861. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, Sept. 14, 1927 to date. Showing names of bankrupt, attorneys, and referee, dated court proceedings, and clerk's fees; later records in loose-leaf books. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $10\frac{1}{4}$  x  $11\frac{1}{2}$  loose-leaf books (3), and 13 x 17 vols. (2), 1 ft., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (109)

862. BANKRUPTCY ORDER BOOKS, June 21, 1871 - June 15, 1932. First 3 vols. contain cases under old bankruptcy law; those pending at time of enactment of new law in 1898 were entered in the same book, with last entry dated Apr. 22, 1907. Vol. 4 records cases begun under new act, with first entry Oct. 6, 1898. Each order shows name of bankrupt, matter passed on by court, date, and signature of judge. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 and 11 x  $14\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (10), 2 ft. 6 in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (116)

863. BANKRUPTCY ORDER BOOKS, June 16, 1932 to date. Orders in bankruptcy suits showing name of bankrupt, matter passed on by court, and date. Indexed. (Daily, official.)  $10\frac{1}{2}$  x  $11\frac{1}{2}$  loose-leaf books (2), 6 in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (110)

864. ORDERS OF REFERENCE IN BANKRUPTCY, Mar. 15, 1871 - Aug. 28, 1878. Judge's orders referring cases to register in bankruptcy, showing names of bankrupt, judge, and register, date for appearance before register, and address of register. (Seldom, official.) 11 x  $15\frac{3}{4}$  vol., 2 in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (129)



865. FINAL DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY, Mar. 19, 1872 - Sept. 11, 1895. Certificate showing name and address of bankrupt, date of discharge, and signature of judge. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 16 vol., 2 in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (111)

866. DISCHARGE OF BANKRUPTS, Apr. 10, 1899 to date. Record showing name and address of bankrupt, date of discharge, and signature of judge. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x  $16\frac{1}{4}$  vols. (3), 7 in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (112)

867. BOND BOOK, Nov. 24, 1898 - July 13, 1910. Showing bonds of referees in bankruptcy and bonds for costs, giving names of principal and surety, amount of bond, style of case, date, and stipulations. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 16 vol., 2 in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (127)

868. BANKRUPTCY CASES, Mar. 15, 1871 - Aug. 31, 1879. Petition, schedule, order of adjudication, notice to creditors, claims filed by creditors, petitions to set aside homestead and poor debtor's exemption, orders appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, report of receiver or trustee, report of referee, petition for discharge, and order of discharge. Filed numerically. (Seldom, official.) 4 x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  bundles, 78 ft., in 13 steel transfer cases. Dirty, scattered, ink faded. R. 212. (186)

869. BANKRUPTCY CASES, Sept. 28, 1898 to date. Petition, schedule, order of adjudication, notice to creditors, claims filed by creditors, petitions to set aside homestead and poor debtor's exemption, orders appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, report of receiver or trustee, report of referee, petition for discharge, and order of discharge. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.) 4 x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  bundles and 12 x 15 folders, 339 ft., in 12 drawers of steel filing cases, in 13 steel transfer cases, and in 217 steel folded document holders. Rs. 210 and 212. (187)

870. BANKRUPTCY INDEX, Sept. 28, 1889 to date. Showing name of bankrupt, number of case, date filed, date of discharge, and number of docket and page where case is entered. (Frequently, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 vol., 2 in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (177)

871. BANKRUPTCY STATISTICS, July 1, 1910 - June 30, 1916. Record of cases closed by referee, showing case number, name of bankrupt, amount of liabilities, assets, dividends, and expenses, and nature of business of bankrupt; these books have been superseded by loose-leaf books. (Seldom, official.) 14 x  $16\frac{1}{2}$  and 15 x 18 vols. (3),  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (128)

872. BANKRUPTCY FEE BOOK, Mar. 14, 1873 - Nov. 1, 1876. Showing case number, names of parties to suit, amount paid, and date of payment. (Seldom, official.) 8 x  $19\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $1\frac{1}{4}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (131)



873. BANKRUPTCY DAY BOOK, Oct. 9, 1876 - July 12, 1879. Showing case number, names of parties to suit, amount paid, and date of payment. (Seldom, official.)  $7\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (132)

874. BANKRUPTCY LEDGER, Mar. 1884 - Mar. 1893. Record of clerk's emoluments in bankruptcy cases, showing names of bankrupts, amounts received, reasons for payment, and dates. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 14 vol., 2 in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (134)

875. BANKRUPTCY LEDGER, Mar. 24, 1899 - Sept. 19, 1904. Clerk's day book showing name of bankrupt, amount received from bankrupt, and date. (Seldom, official.)  $7\frac{3}{4}$  x 12 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (142)

(Criminal)

876. CRIMINAL DOCKETS, Sept. 1871 - Mar. 1908. Showing names of parties, attorneys, and witnesses, nature of charge, date of indictment, standing on docket, and proceedings. (Seldom, official.)  $14 \times 17\frac{1}{4}$  and  $12\frac{1}{2} \times 18$  vols. (2),  $7\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (165)

877. CRIMINAL DOCKETS, Sept. 8, 1908 to date. Showing title of case, names of parties and attorneys, abstract of costs, clerk's fees, papers issued, service, and filings. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $13 \times 16\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (3),  $7\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel roller shelf in closed wooden cabinet. R. 210. (113)

878. FINAL CRIMINAL RECORD, Sept. 23, 1879 - Mar. 30, 1918. Showing indictment, capias, court order, subpoena, mittimus, clerk's certificate, title and number of case, dates of service and return, date of hearing, and disposition of case. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $13 \times 18\frac{1}{2}$  vols. (9), 2 ft. 3 in., on enclosed wooden shelf. R. 212. (120)

879. CRIMINAL CASES, 1933 to date. Transcript from U. S. commissioner, indictment or information, capias, testimony, exhibits, depositions, affidavits, judgment, sentence, and final commitment. Prior to 1933 criminal and law cases were filed together. Filed numerically. (Frequently, official.)  $4 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$  bundles, 7 ft., in 5 steel folded document holders. Vault in R. 210. (190)

(United States Commissioner)

880. COMMISSIONER'S TRANSCRIPT DOCKET, Aug. 26, 1930 to date. U. S. commissioner's transcripts of cases, showing name of defendant, offense charged, name of commissioner, title of paper, date received and filed, and clerk's fee. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $11\frac{1}{4} \times 15\frac{1}{4}$  vol.,  $1\frac{1}{4}$  in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (169)

881. U. S. COMMISSIONER'S CRIMINAL RECORD, July 16, 1907 - Aug. 30, 1908. Showing name of defendant, charge, proceedings before commissioner,



date, and judgment. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $9\frac{3}{4}$  x  $14\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (155)

(Naturalization)

882. DECLARATION OF INTENTION, June 11, 1907 to date. Showing name, age, occupation, description, place and date of birth, and present residence of declarant, date of executing paper, place of emigration, name of vessel, last foreign residence, renunciation of allegiance to foreign sovereign, port of entry, date of arrival, and signature; also certificate of clerk. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 14 vols. (2), and 9 x 11 loose-leaf book, 3 in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (178)

883. NATURALIZATION PETITIONS, Sept. 19, 1908 to date, showing applicant's name, age, occupation, date and place of birth, description, and present residence, length of residence, affidavits of two witnesses, petition for citizenship, oath of allegiance to the U. S., and number and date of issuance of certificate of naturalization or refusal of petition. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12 x 18 vols. (3), and  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 loose-leaf book, 6 in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (179)

884. STUBS OF NATURALIZATION CERTIFICATES, Mar. 1, 1909 to date. Showing number of certificate issued, name and age of certificate holder, court where declaration was issued, date issued, date petition filed, names, ages, and residences of spouse and minor children, date of order of admittance to citizenship, and signature of holder. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 10 stub books (15), 6 in., in steel drawer. Vault in R. 210. (180)

(Fiscal Accounts)

885. FEE BOOKS, Mar. 13, 1871 - Apr. 4, 1906. Showing style of case, amount of fees paid, date, and service rendered by clerk. (Seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (3),  $6\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (144)

886. JOURNALS, July 1, 1879 - Sept. 30, 1898. Showing names of parties, fees earned, and dates. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 17 vols. (5), 10 in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (156)

887. CASH BOOK, July 1, 1879 - Aug. 26, 1905. Showing names of parties in cases, fees collected, costs, and date. (Seldom, official.) 8 x  $12\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{4}$  in., on enclosed wooden shelf. R. 212. (141)

888. CLERK'S CHECK STUBS, Apr. 14, 1899 - Mar. 27, 1905. Showing check number, date, and name of person to whom paid. (Seldom, official.) 6 x 8 check books,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (157)

889. LEDGER, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, July 8, 1879 - July 15, 1895. Clerk's record of fees and costs in cases, showing names of parties



to suits, reasons for payment, and dates. (Seldom, official.)  $9\frac{3}{4}$  x 14 vol.,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. Binding broken. R. 212. (153)

890. STATEMENT OF SUITS, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, Mar. 21, 1884 - Apr. 1, 1905. Showing style of suit, amount of fees, whether or not paid, date and amount paid into the U. S. Treasury. (Seldom, official.)  $7\frac{3}{4}$  x  $11\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (151)

891. CLERK'S MEMORANDUM BOOK, Oct. 4, 1886 - Nov. 6, 1888. Record of individual accounts, showing service rendered, fees paid, payer, title of case, and date. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (150)

892. DAY BOOKS, Jan. 1, 1889 - Nov. 24, 1906. Showing names of parties paying fees, amounts paid, and dates of payments. (Seldom, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 vols. (2), 4 in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (137)

893. CLERK'S BLOTTER, June 5, 1908 - Jan. 5, 1929. Record of all earnings of court officials to be placed in the U. S. Treasury. (Seldom, official.) 9 x 13 vol., 2 in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (153)

894. CLERK'S RECORD OF DEPUTIES' ACCOUNTS, July 29, 1925 - July 21, 1932. Showing name of deputy, date, and standing of account. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 14 vol.,  $\frac{3}{4}$  in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (162)

895. REGISTRY LEDGERS, Aug. 1, 1916 to date. Record of court funds deposited in bank, showing title and number of case, and amounts received and disbursed. Indexed. (Frequently, official.)  $9\frac{3}{4}$  x 14 vols. (2),  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (170)

896. TRUST FUNDS, July 1, 1936 to date. Showing date, check, warrant or voucher number, name of party receiving payment, and amounts received and disbursed. (Frequently, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vol.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel roller shelf. Vault in R. 210. (176)

(Miscellaneous)

897. RECORDS, July 1, 1879 - July 16, 1890. Reports furnished U. S. attorney of cases tried and closed, showing case numbers and amounts of fees earned; cover civil, chancery, and criminal cases. (Seldom, official.)  $8\frac{3}{4}$  x 14 vol., 1 in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (149)

898. RECEIPT BOOKS, Mar. 19, 1879 - Sept. 18, 1883; Feb. 15, 1911 - Nov. 8, 1928. Receipts for papers borrowed from court by attorneys, showing style of case, date of removal, name of attorney removing paper, and date of return. Since 1928, by judge's order, no papers are removed without court order. (Seldom, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x  $13\frac{1}{2}$  and  $10\frac{1}{2}$  x 16 vols. (3),  $1\frac{1}{4}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (152)

899. MISCELLANEOUS EXHIBITS, Nov. 6, 1879 - Oct. 24, 1895. Execution book of a justice of the peace, unidentified letter book; five tobacco



auction sales books of Lynch's warehouse and one of Friends' warehouse; and general merchandise ledger of Wm. B. Tinsley. Execution book and ledger indexed. (Seldom, official.) Various sized vols. (9), 11 in., on enclosed steel shelf. Damaged by water, ink faded. R. 212. (140)

900. BOND BOOK, Dec. 23, 1908 - Aug. 19, 1918. Showing style of suit, names of principal and surety, amount of bond, and date. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $8\frac{3}{4}$  x 14 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel roller shelf. R. 212. (163)

901. NAMES OF JURORS, Aug. 1, 1895. Jury panels for cases to be tried. (Seldom, official.) 8 x  $12\frac{1}{2}$  vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (148)

902. WITNESS ATTENDANCE BOOKS, Sept. 15, 1874 - Mar. 1912. Listing witnesses, per diem and mileage costs of witnesses, style of case, and jury list. (Seldom, official.) 10 x  $15\frac{1}{2}$  and  $11\frac{1}{2}$  x 18 vols. (4),  $4\frac{1}{2}$  in., on enclosed steel shelf. R. 212. (143)

903. MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS, 1871 to date. Bonds, cancelled checks, rules of court, clerk's reports, receipts, requisitions, grand jury papers, registry funds, passports, marshal's returns, jury writs, commissioner's accounts, tax liens, and clerk's emolument returns. (Older records, seldom; recent records, frequently, official.) 4 x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  bundles and 12 x 15 folders, 70 ft. 10 in., in 2 drawers of steel filing case, and in 49 steel folded document holders, and in 1 steel transfer case. R. 212 and vault in R. 210. (188)

(Correspondence)

904. CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE, May 1908 to date. With attorneys, court officials, and individuals, concerning cases, reports, bonds, fiscal accounts, etc. Filed chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 folders and loose papers, 42 ft. 2 in., in 29 Hoosier letter files on 3 open wooden shelves, 18 steel transfer cases, and 5 drawers of steel filing cases. R. 210. (189)

#### ROANOKE

Deputy Clerk

Post Office and Courthouse

Church Ave. and 2nd St., SW.

The Federal court was established in Roanoke in February 1903. Criminal Docket, Vol. 1, was lost. No other records were known to have been



lost or destroyed, and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on March 13, 1937.

#### Old Circuit Court Records

905. LAW ORDER BOOK NO. 1, Dec. 27, 1902 - Oct. 27, 1911. Showing names of plaintiff and defendant, order allowing amendment to pleading, verdict of jury, judgment of court, order summoning jurors and witnesses, and order of payment for their services, in civil cases; and, in criminal cases, name of defendant, pleas, order summoning jurors and witnesses, order of payment for their services, judgment, and sentence. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. R. 219. (23)

906. CHANCERY ORDER BOOK, Feb. 9, 1903 - Dec. 31, 1911. Containing order for temporary injunction, restraining order, continuance, and order for dismissal of case. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 17½ vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. R. 219. (26)

#### District Court Records

##### (General)

907. CLERK'S MEMORANDUM BOOKS, Apr. 9, 1903 to date. Older vol. records names of parties to equity and law cases, kind of action, name of plaintiff's attorney, name of U. S. attorney, summons, date issued, name of marshal to whom directed for service, and amount of damages claimed; later vol. shows names of witnesses summoned for the U. S. in civil and criminal cases, and names of grand and petit jurors. Memoranda used for instituting suits and listing witnesses and jurors summoned to court. Entered chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 11 x 16 vols. (2), 1½ in., on steel filing cabinet. Bindings broken, damaged by careless handling. R. 221. (1)

908. JUDGMENT LIEN DOCKET, CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURTS, Feb. 10, 1903 - July 6, 1936. Showing date of judgment, date of docketing, names of judgment creditor and debtor, amounts of debt, interest, and costs, reference to page and number of docket where order of court awarding judgment is entered, and when and how judgment was satisfied; judgments in both civil and criminal matters. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 12 x 18 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. R. 221. (29)

909. JUDGMENT DOCKET AND INDEX, July 7, 1936 to date. Showing judgment debtor and creditor, case number, reference to vol. and page of docket where case is docketed, date of judgment, amounts of principal, interest, and costs, date of payment or satisfaction, and remarks. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12½ x 17 vol., 1½ in., on open steel shelf. R. 221. (28)

910. EXECUTION BOOK, Feb. 11, 1903 to date. Showing name of person designated for execution of service, U. S. attorney, nature of writ and



date issued, names of plaintiff and defendant, amounts of principal, interest, and costs, date judgment was rendered, return day of execution, and return of marshal; covers executions on civil and criminal judgments. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 12 x 17 $\frac{1}{2}$  vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. R. 221. (30)

911. CIVIL DOCKETS, June 15, 1908 - Dec. 4, 1932. Showing number and title of case, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, dated accounts showing amount received and disbursed, abstract of costs, dated memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings in law and equity cases. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 16 x 16 vols. (6), 9 in., on 6 open steel shelves. R. 219. (17)

912. LAW DOCKET, Dec. 5, 1932 to date. Records number and title of case, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, dated account showing amount received and disbursed, abstract of costs, dated memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 16 x 16 vol., 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on open steel shelf. R. 221. (16)

913. LAW ORDER BOOKS, Dec. 27, 1902 to date. Showing names of plaintiff and defendant, order allowing amendment to pleading, verdict of jury, judgment of court, order summoning jurors and witnesses, and order of payment for their services, in civil cases; and, in criminal cases, plea of defendant, order summoning jurors and witnesses, order for payment of their services, judgment, and sentence. Indexed. (Older records, seldom; current records, frequently, official.) Various sized vols. (5) and loose-leaf book, 1 ft., on 5 open steel shelves and on steel filing case. Rs. 219 and 221. (21, 22)

914. LAW CASES, ENDED, Mar. 1, 1906 to date. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict, judgment, and bills of exception. Arranged numerically and chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers, 30 ft. 6 in., in 31 steel folded document holders. R. 219. (4)

915. PRIVATE LAW CASES, PENDING, Mar. 12, 1931 to date. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict, judgment, and bills of exception. Arranged chronologically and numerically. (Frequently, official.) 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  loose papers, 6 in., in steel folded document holder. R. 221. (3)

916. U. S. LAW CASES, PENDING, Apr. 22, 1932 to date. Declaration, process, marshal's return, plea or demurrer, joining of issue, impaneling of jury, verdict, judgment, and bills of exception in cases in which U. S. is either plaintiff or defendant. (Frequently, official.) 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  loose papers, 6 in., in steel folded document holder. R. 221. (2)

(Equity)

917. CHANCERY ORDER BOOKS, Feb. 1, 1913 to date. Containing order for temporary injunction, restraining order, continuance, order for



dismissal of case, copy of order from circuit court of appeals extending time for filing transcript of record, and judgment of district court; some copies of orders entered during vacation of court are pasted in. Indexed. (Older records, seldom; current records, frequently, official.) 12 x 18 vol. and 10 x 11½ loose-leaf book, 5 in., on open steel shelf and on steel cabinet. Binding broken on earlier vol. Rs. 219 and 221. (24, 25).

918. EQUITY DOCKET, Dec. 5, 1932 to date. Records number and title of case, names of attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, dated account showing amount received and disbursed by clerk, abstract of costs, dated memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 16 x 16 vol., 1½ in., on open steel shelf. R. 221. (18)

919. EQUITY CASES, ENDED, Apr. 4, 1912 - June 8, 1935. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibits for complainant, testimony and exhibits for defendant, testimony and exhibits in rebuttal, opinion, and decree. Arranged chronologically. (Seldom, official.) 3½ x 8½ loose papers, 2 ft. 6 in., in 2 steel folded document holders. R. 219. (7)

920. U. S. EQUITY CASES, PENDING, Jan. 15, 1935 to date. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibits for complainant, testimony and exhibits for defendant, testimony and exhibits in rebuttal, opinion, and decree in cases in which U. S. is either complainant or defendant. Arranged chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 3½ x 8½ loose papers, 3 in., in steel folded document holder. R. 221. (6)

921. PRIVATE EQUITY CASES, PENDING, Feb. 28, 1934 to date. Bill of complaint, process, marshal's return, answer, replication, testimony and exhibits for complainant, testimony and exhibits for defendant, testimony and exhibits in rebuttal, opinion, and decree. Arranged chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 3½ x 8½ loose papers, 6 in., in steel folded document holder. R. 221. (5)

#### (Bankruptcy)

922. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, July 6, 1908 to date. Showing case number, name of bankrupt, occupation, names of employer, attorneys, referee, and trustee, dated statement of cash received and disbursed, and memoranda of dated court proceedings. Loose-leaf books have been used since Jan. 15, 1930. Indexed. (Older records, seldom; current records, frequently, official.) 12½ x 17 vols. (8) and 10 x 11½ loose-leaf books (7), 3 ft. 2 in., on 15 open steel shelves. R. 221. (19)

923. BANKRUPTCY ORDER BOOKS, Feb. 9, 1903 to date. Showing name of bankrupt, case number, order to show cause upon creditors' petitions, order of reference in judge's absence, order of adjudication, orders appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale



of real and personal property, motion made by counsel, and order of discharge. Current orders are entered in loose-leaf books. Indexed. (Older records, seldom; current records, frequently, official.) Various sized vols. (5) and loose-leaf books (3), 1 ft. 10 in., on 7 open steel shelves and on wooden desk. R. 221. (27)

924. BANKRUPTCY CASES, PENDING AND ENDED, Feb. 8, 1903 - Feb. 17, 1935. Petition, schedule, order of adjudication, notice to creditors, claims filed by creditors, petition to set aside homestead and poor debtor's exemption, orders appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, report of receiver or trustee, report of referee, petition for discharge, and order for discharge. Have vol. index. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose sheets, 162 ft., in 150 steel folded document holders. R. 309. (9)

925. BANKRUPTCY CASES, PENDING AND ENDED, Feb. 18, 1925 - Mar. 8, 1933. Petition, schedule, order of adjudication, notice to creditors, claims filed by creditors, petition to set aside homestead and poor debtor's exemption, orders appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, report of receiver or trustee, report of referee, petition for discharge, and order for discharge. Filed numerically. Have vol. index. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers, 153 ft., in 167 steel folded document holders. R. 219. (10)

926. BANKRUPTCY CASES, PENDING AND ENDED, Aug. 21, 1903 to date. Petition, schedule, order of adjudication, notice to creditors, claims filed by creditors, petition to set aside homestead and poor debtor's exemption, orders appointing receivers and confirming their actions, order affecting sale of real and personal property, report of receiver or trustee, report of referee, petition for discharge, and order for discharge. Filed numerically. Have vol. index. (Seldom, official.)  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose papers, 303 ft. 6 in., in 331 steel folded document holders. R. 221. (8)

927. INDEX TO BANKRUPTCY CASES, Feb. 6, 1903 to date. Showing bankrupt, case number, and reference to docket and page where each case is registered. Entered alphabetically. (Frequently, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 vol., 2 in., on open steel shelf. R. 221. (11)

(Criminal)

928. CRIMINAL DOCKETS, Feb. 17, 1909 to date. Showing number of case, name of defendant, number of section of Federal statute violated, name of attorney for the U. S., abstract of costs of court, dated statement of cash received and disbursed, memoranda of papers filed, and dated court proceedings; vols. 2-8. Vol. 1 missing. Indexed. (Older records, seldom; current records, frequently, official.)  $12\frac{1}{2}$  x 17 vols. (7), 1 ft. 6 in., on 7 open steel shelves. R. 219. (20)

929. CRIMINAL CASES, ENDED, Feb. 9, 1903 - July 13, 1936. Transcript from U. S. commissioner, indictment or information, capias,



testimony, exhibits, depositions, affidavits, judgment, sentence, and final commitment. Filed numerically. Docket serves as index. (Seldom, official.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 loose papers, 39 ft. 6 in., in 43 folded document holders. Dirty. R. 221. (15)

930. CRIMINAL CASES, PENDING, June 3, 1929 to date. Transcript from U. S. commissioner, indictment, capias, testimony, exhibits, depositions, judgment, sentence, and final commitment. Filed chronologically and numerically. Docket serves as index. (Frequently, official.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  loose papers, 6 in., in steel folded document holder. R. 221. (14)

(United States Commissioner)

931. U. S. COMMISSIONER'S TRANSCRIPT, Jan. 28, 1931 to date. Showing transcript number, name of defendant, offense charged, date transcript received by clerk from commissioner and filed, affidavits, warrant, temporary commitment and bond, final commitment and bond, subpoena, recognizance of witnesses, commitments of witnesses, affidavits for search warrant, search warrant, transcript of testimony and proceedings, and clerk's fee for filing. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $11\frac{1}{4}$  x 15 vol.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  in., on steel filing cabinet. R. 221. (13)

932. U. S. COMMISSIONER'S PAPERS, Dec. 23, 1935 to date. Record of complaint and warrant to apprehend suspect, recognizance for appearance before commissioner, final mittimus, recognizance for appearance of prisoner and witnesses before court, subpoenas for witnesses, affidavits, and transcript of proceedings before commissioner. Cases are sent to grand jury upon presentation of sufficient evidence. Arranged numerically. (Frequently, official.)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  loose papers, 1 ft. 6 in., in 2 steel folded document holders. R. 221. (12)

(Naturalization)

933. DECLARATIONS OF INTENTION, Apr. 13, 1908 to date. Showing name, age, occupation, and personal description of alien, manner and port of entry, birthplace, port of embarkation, marital status, information relative to spouse and children, date declaration was filed, length of declarant's residence in the U. S., and signature of declarant given under oath. Entered numerically. Indexed. (Seldom, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 vols. (2) and  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 loose-leaf books (2), 4 in., on 2 open steel shelves. Bindings broken, damaged by careless handling. R. 221. (31)

934. NATURALIZATION PETITION AND RECORD, Mar. 22, 1909 to date. Showing name, age, occupation, and personal description of alien petitioner, manner and port of entry, birthplace, port of embarkation, marital status, pertinent information relative to spouse and children, date declaration was filed, length of petitioner's residence in the U. S., and signatures of petitioner and two witnesses, given under oaths of petitioner and witnesses. Declaration of intention and petition for naturalization filed together in the first 2 vols. Indexed. (Seldom, official.) 11 x 18 vols. (3) and 9 x 11 loose-leaf book, 6 in., on 2 open steel shelves. Bindings broken, damaged by careless handling. R. 221. (32)



935. NATURALIZATION CERTIFICATES, June 18, 1912 to date. Showing name of person naturalized, date of petition, age, residence, date of order for admission as citizen of the U. S., date certificate issued, number of declaration of intention, and signature of holder. Filed alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 3 x 5 cards, 2 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 221. (33)

(Correspondence)

936. CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE, Jan. 1, 1912 to date. Letters received from attorneys and other clerks, with copies of replies attached. Arranged alphabetically. (Daily, official.) 9 x 12 folders and loose papers, 1 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 221. (34)

Probation and Parole Officer  
Post Office and Courthouse Bldg.  
Church Ave. and 2nd St., S. W.

This office was established in Roanoke in 1935. Prior to the appointment of the probation officer all probation cases were handled by the clerk. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on February 13, 1937.

937. PRE-PAROLE INVESTIGATIONS, Nov. 15, 1935 to date. Correspondence with officials of penal institutions relative to plan of parole, with other parole officers, and relatives of parolees; also copies of admission summaries showing complete case histories of parolees. When person placed on parole, these papers are removed to the active parolee file. Originals of summaries are kept at penal institutions. Arranged alphabetically. (Frequently, official.) 9 x 12 folders, 1 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 310. (38)

938. PAROLE AND CONDITIONAL RELEASE CASES, CLOSED, Nov. 15, 1935 to date. Parole progress report, admission summary, committee recommendation, correspondence with superintendent of penal institution, and notice of release from parole officer, with attached photograph of parolee; these are cases of parolees whose terms have expired. Arranged alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 12 folders, 1 ft. 6 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 310. (40)

939. PAROLE AND CONDITIONAL RELEASE CASES, ACTIVE, Nov. 15, 1935 to date. Parole progress report, admission summary, committee recommendation, correspondence with superintendent of penal institution, and notice of release from parole officer, with attached photograph of parolee. Card index. (Frequently, official.) 9 x 12 folders, 1 ft. 6 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 310. (39)



940. POST INDEX TO PAROLEES, Nov. 15, 1935 to date. Giving name and address of parolee, occupation, personal description, beginning and ending dates of term of imprisonment, date and place of trial, name of presiding judge, nature of offense committed, and reference to case number in regular file. Arranged alphabetically. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 8 cards,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., in visible metal file folder on wooden desk. R. 310. (42)

941. RECORD OF PROBATION CASES, CLOSED, Sept. 29, 1928 - Nov. 25, 1935. Showing case number, name and residence of probationer, probation period, length of residence at present address, birthplace, age, marital status, occupation, members of household, and date of report to court. Entered chronologically. (Never.) 9 x 11 loose-leaf book, 1 in., in metal basket on steel filing cabinet. R. 310. (37)

942. PROBATION AND CONDITIONAL RELEASE CASES, CLOSED, Mar. 21, 1932 to date. Monthly report made by probationer to probation officer showing employment during month, number of days worked, amount earned, expenses, amount saved, and report on efforts to improve habits and conduct. Arranged alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 10 x 12 folders, 3 in., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 310. (36)

943. PROBATION CASES, ACTIVE, Mar. 21, 1932 to date. Monthly report made by probationer to probation officer, showing employment during month, number of days worked, amount earned, expenses, amount saved, and report on efforts to improve habits and conduct. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 12 folders, 3 ft. 6 in., in 3 drawers of steel filing case. R. 310. (35)

944. POST INDEX TO PROBATIONERS, Nov. 15, 1935 to date. Showing name and address of probationer, occupation, personal description, beginning and ending dates of term of imprisonment, date and place of trial, name of presiding judge, nature of offense committed, and reference to case number in regular file. Arranged alphabetically. (Frequently, official.) 5 x 8 cards, 3 in., in visible metal file folder on wooden desk. R. 310. (41)

945. POST INDEX TO PROBATION AND PAROLE CASES, ENDED, Nov. 15, 1935 to date. Giving name and address of probationer or parolee, occupation, personal description, beginning and ending dates of term, date and place of trial, name of presiding judge, nature of offense committed, and reference to case number in regular file. Arranged alphabetically. (Seldom, official.) 5 x 8 cards, 4 in., in drawer of steel card cabinet. R. 310. (43)

946. RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, Nov. 18, 1935 to date. Record of receipts; also record of disbursements for attendance on court, investigations, and other official business, telephone, post office box rent, long distance calls, telegrams, emergency postage, office supplies, equipment, msc. items, and salaries of probation officer and probation clerk. Entered chronologically. (Seldom, official.)  $9\frac{1}{2}$  x  $11\frac{1}{2}$  loose-leaf book, 1 in., on wooden desk. R. 310. (45)



947. MISCELLANEOUS FILE, Nov. 1935 to date. Telephone bills, travel expense accounts, newspaper clippings, and correspondence with other probation officers, district judge, parole executives, and probation supervisors, with copies of replies attached. Arranged alphabetically. (Frequently, official.) 9 x 12 folders, 1 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 310. (44)

Referee in Bankruptcy  
Shenandoah Life Ins. Co. Bldg.  
Kirk Ave. and 1st St.

This office was established in Roanoke about 1900. Since the duties are of a nature which permits the referee to carry on a private business, he maintains no public office but transacts all business in his private office. Records of permanent value are transferred to the office of the deputy clerk of the district court in Roanoke. No records were known to have been lost or destroyed and none had been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on March 16, 1937.

948. BANKRUPTCY DOCKETS, Aug. 19, 1926 to date. Showing bankrupt, date paper was received by referee, date of order of adjudication, amount deposited, name of attorney, name of newspaper in which notice was published, and cost of publication. Indexed. (Older records, occasionally; current records, frequently, official.) 11 x 16 vol. and 10 x 13 loose-leaf books (2), 9 in., in drawer of wooden desk. R. 718. (79)

949. BANKRUPTCY CASES, PENDING, May 16, 1934 to date. Schedule, order of adjudication, reference to referee's docket, claims of creditors, petitions and orders, and final report of trustee. Case papers are transferred to the clerk's office when case is closed. Arranged alphabetically. (Frequently, official.) 10 x 15 folders, 9 ft. 3 in., in 5 drawers of metal filing case. R. 719. (78)

950. DIVIDEND BOOKS, Sept. 1, 1912 to date. Showing names of bankrupt, creditors, attorneys, and amounts of claims and dividends. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 11 x 16 vols. (2), 8 in., in drawer of wooden desk. R. 719. (80)

951. CASH BOOKS, Jan. 1, 1928 to date. Showing amounts collected on assets in each bankruptcy case, amount paid to each creditor, and itemized costs of case. Entered chronologically. Indexed. (Frequently, official.) 9 x 11 vols. (2), 5 in., in drawer of wooden desk. R. 719. (81)

952. EXPENSE ACCOUNTS, Jan. 1, 1918 to date. Itemized statement of costs incurred in each bankruptcy case. Entered chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 8 x 12 and 9 x 11 vols. (3), 4 in., in drawer of wooden desk. Bindings broken on first 2 vols. R. 719. (82)



United States Commissioner  
Shenandoah Life Ins. Co. Bldg.  
Kirk Ave. and 1st. St.

This office was established in Roanoke about 1904. Since the duties are of a nature which permits the commissioner to carry on a private business, he maintains no public office but transacts all business in his private office. Some of the records have been lost or destroyed, but what these records involved is unknown. No records were known to have been sent to Washington for preservation when the survey was completed on March 6, 1937.

953. COMPLAINTS AND WARRANTS TO APPREHEND, Dec. 10, 1929 to date. Complaint giving affidavit of complainant, approximate date of crime, section of statute violated, and signature and oath of deponent before commissioner; also warrant to marshal showing offense and command to bring suspect before commissioner for hearing. Returns of marshal shown on reverse sides of complaint and warrant. These are copies of originals filed with the U. S. attorney. Arranged chronologically. (Frequently, official.) 9 x 15 folders, 1 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 703. (75)

954. CRIMINAL RECORDS, July 28, 1927 to date. Showing name of defendant, date of warrant or complaint, name of informant, section of statutes violated, date approved by the U. S. attorney, return of marshal on warrant, names of witnesses for the U. S., return of marshal on subpoena for witnesses, disposition of case, whether dismissed for lack of evidence or sent to grand jury, and statement of costs. Indexed. (Older records, occasionally; current records, frequently, official.) 9½ x 15 vols. (12), 1 ft., on wooden bookcase. R. 703. (76)

955. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE, Jan. 15, 1931 to date. Letters from U. S. attorney and assistants, district clerks and deputy clerks, the Dept. of Justice, attorneys at law, U. S. marshal, and deputy marshals, with copies of replies attached. Arranged alphabetically. (Frequently, official.) 9 x 15 folders, 1 ft., in drawer of steel filing case. R. 701. (77)



